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Donald Argyle Stewart

D O N A L D A R G Y L E S T E W A R T

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Donald Argyle Stewart was born at 208 Elm street, Kalamazoo, Michigan, August 3, 1882, son of Eleanor Frances Gates and Nathanael Hammond Stewart. Eleanor Frances Gates was the daughter of Jane Thornton and Chauncey Gates, who came to Kalamazoo from Watertown, New York, in the summer of 1868. Mr. Gates was a large manufacturer of morocco.

Nathanael Hammond Stewart traces his ancestry back to the time of Henry VIII in the annals of Scottish history and the same is recorded in the "Bench and Bar of Michigan," published in 1897 by The Century Publishing and Engraving Company of Chicago, Illinois; also in "The History of Michigan," Volume IV, page 2056.

Nathanael H. Stewart overcame great difficulties in acquiring his knowledge of law and became a leader in that profession. Following the death of Frank E. Knappen, endorsed by the Kalamazoo County Bar Association, he was appointed by Governor Ferris as circuit judge of the Ninth Judicial Circuit in the summer of 1913. As active chair-

man of the Democratic State Central Committee, he conducted the first successful Democratic campaign since the organization of the Republican party, and elected the two Democratic Supreme Court Judges and Regents of the University. Under his management, George L. Yaple of Mendon, was elected to Congress, defeating Julius Caesar Burrows.

The foregoing reveals something of the background of the home and parentage of Donald Argyle Stewart and his brother, Gordon Lyttel Stewart, who followed his father's profession and is judge of the municipal court in Kalamazoo.

Donald Argyle Stewart attended the schools in Kalamazoo and was graduated from the high school in 1901. He then attended Kalamazoo College for one year and in 1902 entered the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and in 1906 he received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering division with a thesis on, "A Series of Tests on a Two-Cycle, Two-Cylinder Hudson Gas Engine of Fifteen Horse Power, Built by the Motor Engine Co., of Mariner's Harbor, Staten Island, N. Y. (Taken with Robert W. Seymour, 1906)."

While in the Institute of Technology, Mr. D. A. Stewart participated in extra-curricular activities,

belonged to the Delta Epsilon fraternity, was a member of the Mechanical Engineering Society, the Mandaman Club and the Freshman Tug-o'-war Team.

During 1906 and 1907, Mr. Stewart was a draftsman with William E. Hill and Company, Saw Mill and Machinery Manufacturers; 1907-1909, he was architectural draftsman on house work with Charles B. Hayes; for four months of 1909, with Dan Albertson, Industrial Architect, as engineer and draftsman; 1909-1925, with Kalamazoo Railway Supply Company, as draftsman and engineer. In July, 1909, he was made Chief Engineer. From 1910, he acted as Chief Engineer and Assistant General Manager. He developed the present line of light railway motor cars and electric crossing gates. From 1925-1928, he was with the O. F. Miller Company, contractors, as local manager of the Kalamazoo office. In 1928-1929, he entered into private contracting and engineering business.

In 1929, Mr. Stewart became the senior member of the Stewart-Kingscott Company, Architects and Engineers, designing buildings, schools, heating plants, refrigeration systems, appraisals and in industrial work. He was president of the company at the time of his death.

Through his professional activities Mr. Stewart became a member of the Kalamazoo Engineering Society; the Michigan Engineering Society and the Michigan State Board of Examiners for the Registration of Architects, Engineers and Surveyors from 1933 to 1938. He was a Registered Mechanical Engineer, State of Michigan, Certificate No. 2233. He was also a member of the B. P. O. E., Lodge No. 50, Kalamazoo, and a member of the Masonic Lodge of Kalamazoo.

About 1910, Mr. Stewart designed and built the beautiful and convenient home at 204 Elm street, Kalamazoo. His first wife was Daisy George of Boston, Massachusetts. September 7, 1924, he was married to Donna Perrin McFee, a daughter of May DeLano and George W. Perrin of southwestern Michigan.

Among the outstanding works of the company of which Mr. Stewart was president was the architecture and engineering of the Children's Village at Coldwater, Michigan, and the West Quadrangle of the Michigan Union Group at the University of Michigan.

Mr. Stewart was of a retiring nature and loved his home. He was very kind and was fond of animals, especially his dogs. He read widely and was well informed.

Death came to him March 29, 1939, by a sudden heart attack while attending a meeting of architects and engineers in Lansing, Michigan. The funeral was conducted by the Reverend Charles Johnson of the First Presbyterian Church in Kalamazoo and burial was in Mountain Home cemetery.

Written in 1940

Mr. + Mrs. L. J. Stewart

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L O U I S J O H N S T E W A R T
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Louis John Stewart was born in Galesburg, Michigan, December 30, 1877, son of Erastus and Maria Nancy Signor Stewart, both formerly of New York state and both of Scotch-Irish descent.

Louis John had one older sister, Mary Elizabeth, born September 22, 1863, married (1) Adelbert Lord and they became the parents of:

Maybelle, born September 6, 1882, married Earl Stuart and became the mother of Helen, born January 7, 1902, married Jerry Wiley and became the mother of Jean, born ;

Harry, born March 31, 1887, married and became the father of Mary Jane and died in November, 1921; after the death of Adelbert Lord, Mary Elizabeth married (2) George H. Markham and died July 9, 1938. She had a brother, LeGrand, a little younger, who lived but ten months.

Erastus Stewart passed away in Galesburg, Michigan, June 30, 1887, when Louis was nine years and six months old. Subsequently Mrs. Maria Stewart was married to Mr. George Keyes. After her son's marriage she made her home with him until her death October 12, 1908.

After his father's death Louis was eager to help his mother and was employed mornings and after school in the drug store of his cousin Dr. William Burdick, doing errands and helping on Saturdays as manfully as any nine-year-old could.

He attended school in Galesburg until the elev-

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G E O R G E L E W I S R I C H A R D T

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Louis John Richard was born in Gainesville, Cooke County, October 30, 1877, son of Martin and Maria Young Richard, both pioneers of the Lake Creek community and both of Southern-Indian descent.

Louis John had one older sister, Mary Catherine, born September 22, 1872, married (1) Benjamin Lewis and later married Joe Pennington.

Martinia, born September 1, 1880, married Earl Stewart and became the mother of Maurice, born January 7, 1908, married Harry Riley and became the mother of Jerry, born March 10, 1937.

Harry, born March 21, 1911, married Ann Hodges, the father of Lance Jane and Mike in November, 1951; after the death of Benjamin Lewis, Mary married (2) George T. Bandy and died June 9, 1918. She had a brother, Leonard, a little younger, who lived for few months.

Martinia Stewart married Harry in Gainesville, Texas on 21, 1931. When Louis was nine years old, his father died. Consequently, Louis Stewart was adopted by Mr. George Bandy. After her mother married and moved, Martinia lived with her father in Cooke County 32, 1934.

After his father's death Louis was reared in part his mother and was employed herding and other work in the open plains of his county by William Dorsey, doing errands and helping on ranches as soon-ity as his circumstances did permit.

He attended school in Gainesville until the seco-

enth grade. Because of his interest in his cousin's drug store business young Louis John Stewart took an International Correspondence Course in Pharmacy, passed the examinations in Detroit and Grand Rapids and was graduated in 1898 at the age of 21 years. He worked for both Mr. David McDonald and Mr. Frank Maus in their drug stores in Kalamazoo.

June 30, 1903, the marriage of Mr. Louis John Stewart and Miss Sarah Augusta Skinner was solemnized in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Sarah was the daughter of Fremont Benjamin Skinner and Alma Ivanette Skidmore Skinner, who were married December 28, 1875. The Skinner family home was in Richfield, Genesee county, Michigan. Fremont Skinner was born March 11, 1856, and died November 24, 1883. Alma Skidmore was born June 18, 1857, and died October 17, 1903.

The children of Fremont and Alma Skinner were:

Sarah Augusta, born October 3, 1878:

Carl Fremont, born August 8, 1880, married Gertrude Berger, who died March 15, 1939, leaving two sons, Carl Olin and Russell; married again to Mrs. Bertha Adams May 7, 1942. Both Sarah and Carl born in the Richfield home, where Fremont Skinner took his wife after their marriage.

Fremont Skinner was a telegraph operator in Vassar, Michigan, and both children attended school there. When Sarah was twelve years of age, the family moved to Kalamazoo.

with grace. Because of his interest in his
country's song, Alice Gerstenberg joined
such as International Correspondence Society in
Portugal, where the expeditions in Detroit and
Grand Rapids and was produced in 1922 at the age of
21 years. He worked for over 40 years, Doris McDonald
and Mr. Frank Lane in their area where in Kingsford.

June 20, 1920, the marriage of Dr. Louis Jay
Stewart and Alice Grace Gerstenberg was solemnized
here in Kingsford, Michigan. Early one the birth
of Frances Marjorie Stewart and Alice Gerstenberg
Stewart Schooler, the very marital December 26, 1921.
The Schooler family moved to Dearborn, Wayne
County, Michigan. Frances Stewart was born March
11, 1921, and died December 26, 1930. Alice Gerstenberg
was born June 18, 1877, and died October 27, 1970.

The children of Frances and Alan Schooler were:

Gerry Schooler, born October 2, 1939.

Jeff Schooler, born August 6, 1950, married
Marjorie Sarver, who also works in Dr. John
Lawrence's office. Jeff Ellen and Samantha
married again in 1994. Marlin Alone May 7,
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Kingsford area. Jeff Schooler Sarver and
his wife Alice Jeff Sarver.

Frances Schooler was a graduate student in
Taylor, Mi Wayne, and with Michigan Colleges around
there. Then Marlin was twenty years of age. Her
family moved to Kingsford.

After their marriage Mr. and Mrs Louis John Stewart began housekeeping at 833 North Burdick street in Kalamazoo and he worked in the drug store of David McDonald for a number of years. Their first child, Louise Mabel, was born June 4, 1904, and died November 29 following.

In March, 1905, Mr. Stewart opened a drug store of his own, which he named "East Side Drug Store." It was located in the old Breason Block on the corner of Seminary street and East avenue. In February, 1906, they moved the store to the new Hipp Block on the corner of Lincoln avenue and East avenue. Mrs. Stewart assisted her husband in the store.

On July 7, 1907, a second child was born, Ralph Erastus, who married Pearl Ann Smith of Charlevoix, Michigan, March 28, 1934, and became the father of Carole Faye, born [illegible], and Gary Ralph, born [illegible], and now resides, in 1943, in Detroit, Michigan.

The third child, Marian Lucile Stewart, was born in Kalamazoo, Michigan, December 10, 1908, and on January 9, 1942, she was married to Clarence C. Jones and became the mother of Mary Edna, born [illegible], and resides in Detroit, Michigan.

After their marriage Dr. and Mrs. Louis Leon Clement began housekeeping at 650 North Hamilton street in Kingsport and he worked in the drug store of Wells Robinson for a number of years. Their first child, Louisianna, was born June 4, 1904, and died December 23 following.

In March, 1907, Dr. Clement opened a drug store of his own, which he called Clem's Drug Store. It was located in the old Dickson block on the corner of Sullivan alley and Main street. In February, 1908, they moved the store to the new drug house on the corner of Broadway avenue and Lee avenue. Dr. Clement remained in the business in this state.

On July 7, 1917, a second child was born, Julia Frances, who married Jack Lee Smith of Knoxville, Kingsport, Lenoir City, and Oak Ridge, and died June 20, 1960, and was buried, in Oak Grove, Kingsport.

The third child, Helen Lucile Clement, was born in Kingsport, Virginia, December 16, 1920, and on January 2, 1940, she was married to Clarence T. Jones and became the mother of Gary Jones, born December 17, 1942, and resides in Oakwood, Virginia.

The fourth child of Louis and Sarah Stewart, Frances Augusta, was born February 26, 1915, in St. Petersburg, Florida, married William Judson Persons on August 26, 1937. He holds the degree of Master of Arts from Kalamazoo College. They became the parents of John Edward, born [illegible], and William Carl, born [illegible].

The fifth child of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart was Helen Louise, born in St. Petersburg, Florida, August 26, 1917, and died August 15, 1930.

In 1910, Mr. Stewart suffered a breakdown in health, sold his store and bought a fruit and poultry farm near Richfield, Genesee county, Michigan, not far from the home of Mrs. Stewart's maternal grandparents, where they stayed for about two years.

They then returned to Kalamazoo and bought a dry goods and notion store in the Hipp Block and conducted the business for two years.

In 1914, the family moved to St. Petersburg, Florida, to improve the health of the children who were afflicted with respiratory trouble. While waiting for an opening in a drug store, Mr. Stewart was employed in carpentry until the Beach Pharmacy Company employed him. His skill in carpentry

The twin girls of Louis and Sarah Stewart, Frances Lucretia, born February 8, 1917, in St. Petersburg, Florida, received gilded bronze frames on August 9, 1921. He wrote the papers at Center of Life from Philosophy College. They became the parents of John Edward, born January 7, 1920, and William Carl, born December 8, 1923.

The girls built of Dr. and Mrs. Stewart was Helen Lorraine, born in St. Petersburg, Florida, August 23, 1927, and Alan Eugene 14, 1930.

In 1930, Dr. Stewart delivered a sermon in Seattle, and did write his second a fruit and poultry farm near Bellevue, Washington County, Washington, was for five his home of Mrs. Stewart's maternal grandparents, where they remained for about six years.

They then returned to Seattle and bought a dry goods and notion store in the "U", Times and commuted the business for two years.

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made it possible for him to build his own residence in St. Petersburg and to construct things around his home and the drug store, which added much to the conveniences.

On June 18, 1929, the Stewart family returned to Kalamazoo, Michigan. He was so favorably known as a reliable pharmacist that Mr. Gerald VanAvery immediately secured his assistance in his drug store and Mr. Stewart remained with Mr. VanAvery until his last illness.

Mr. Stewart had black hair and blue eyes, was five feet, five inches tall and slender.

As a boy in Galesburg he belonged to the Methodist Church, but in Kalamazoo he found his church home in the warm fellowship of the Bethel Baptist Church. While in St. Petersburg, Florida, the Methodist Church, being conveniently located, became his place of worship. On his return to Kalamazoo, his membership was again placed with the Bethel Baptist Church. He was always in his place at church whenever his duties at the store permitted. He was fond of music, especially hymns. He was a good listener, both to the sermons by his pastor and to the conversation of his friends. Mr. Stewart was retiring in his social relations but a recognized

ceeds in persuading her one to quite his own residence in St. Petersburg and to accompany himself and his dame and the dame where, which didn't seem to the proposition.

On June 20, 1925, the Dennis family returned to Kalamazoo, Michigan. He was an friendly, young man of religious disposition that Mr. Gerald Dennis immediately received his assistance in his firm where was Mr. Dennis remained with Mr. Dennis until his last illness.

Mr. Dennis had black hair and blue eyes, was five feet, five inches tall and slender.

He was not in politics or interested in the political journey, but in business he found his country home in the more fashionable of the Indian Springs church. While in St. Petersburg, Florida, the Dennis's owned, being conventionally inclined, rented his place of residence. On his return to Kalamazoo, the responsible was again place. with the Grand Rapids church. He was always in his place in church whenever his duties at the place permitted. He was fond of music, especially opera. He was a good listener, but in his absence by his devotion to the conversation of his friends. Mr. Dennis was relating in his social relations for a considerable

leader in his business circles. He was well liked by his patrons, who found in him a dependable and kindly friend. People came to him for counsel and comfort and never came in vain.

When he passed away November 19, 1941, after four weeks of illness, many were the expressions of warm appreciation of his integrity, his practical Christian conduct and his devotion to his family. His children treasure the memory of his sacrificial giving and his devotion to the highest interests of his home and his business.

Funeral services were conducted by his friend and pastor, the Reverend Richard F. Barram, and burial was in Riverside cemetery.

Away

I cannot say, and I will not say
That he is dead! He is just away!

With a cheery smile, and a wave of the hand,
He has wandered into an unknown land.

And left us dreaming how very fair
It must be, since he lingers there.

And you, - O you, who the wildest yearn
For the old-time step and the glad return, -

Think of him faring on, as dear
In the love of There as the love of Here;

Think of him still as the same, I say;
He is not dead - he is just away!

James Whitcomb Riley

Lawler in his business circles. He was well liked by his patrons, who found in him a dependable and sturdy friend. Family came to him for counsel and comfort and never knew him to vain.

When he passed away November 19, 1911, after four years of illness, many were the expressions of sorrow occasioned by the intelligent Christian manner and his devotion to his family. His children treasure the memory of his sacrificial giving and his devotion to the spiritual interests of his home and his children.

Funeral services were conducted by his friend and pastor, the Reverend Dimitri A. Sarras, and burial was in Greenville cemetery.

Lady

I know not, and I care not, why
Thou art so dear! Be is just enough!

With a thousand smiles, and a wave of the hand,
He has wandered into an unknown land.

And left us dreaming how very fair
It must be, since he lingers there.

And you, - O you, who the vacant place
For the old-time step and the dear face, -

Think of his joining us, as then
In the land of love he loved the best!

Think of his waiting as we wake, I pray,
Is he not dead - he is just away!

James Whitcomb Riley.

Walter J. Stewart

W. J. Stewart

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W A L T E R J O H N S T E W A R T , S r .

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Walter John Stewart, Senior, and Ruth Bourke Wheeler were married on Easter Sunday 1922. *

He was born in Ypsilanti, Michigan, Sept. 6, 1888, son of William Harvey and Lottie Baker Stewart. There were three other children in the family: Eber H. J. Stewart, an employee of the Ford Motor Company; George W. Stewart, manager of the J. C. Penney store in Alma, Michigan; and Lorna, who resides in California.

The father, William Harvey Stewart, was employed for many years with the Henderson-Ames Company in Kalamazoo, Michigan. His wife was born in Wyandotte, Michigan, the daughter of a boss steel roller, who had followed that trade in Troy, New York. When he came to Wyandotte he helped to establish a steel mill there and rolled the first steel railroad tie ever used. The methods he used are still in use at the Great Lakes Steel Works. He moved from Wyandotte to Ypsilanti, Michigan, where he passed away. He was the oldest Mason in

*April 16

Washtenaw county. Their farm, known as the "Baker Farm" was located approximately where what is now known as "Willow Run."

Walter John Stewart, Sr., attended school in Ypsilanti and was a choir boy in the Episcopal Church. Later he went to live with an aunt in Sharon, Pennsylvania, where he attended school, including Business College.

Upon his return to Michigan, Mr. Stewart came to Kalamazoo, Michigan, and attended Western State Normal School, now known as Western Michigan College of Education.

His first employment was with the Hanselman Candy Company for three years as city salesman, after which he accepted a position as manager of the Harry Shoe Company, where he remained from 1911 to 1914.

His first marriage was in 1912 to Miss Iris Ethelyne Blodgett of Kalamazoo, Michigan, and was solemnized in St. Luke's Episcopal Church. She was the daughter of Asher and Minnie Drake Blodgett, the latter of Lawrence, Michigan.

The young couple began housekeeping on Henrietta street, Kalamazoo, where the office of the Upjohn Company now stands.

In 1915, Mr. Stewart became salesman for the

Washtenaw County. While there, among the "Seven Farms" was located approximately where what is now known as Milline Run.

Walter Dean Stewart, Jr., attended school in Ypsilanti and was a racer and, in the horseless carriage. Later he went to live with his aunt in Ithaca, Pennsylvania, where he attended school, including Moravian College.

Upon his return to Michigan, Mr. Stewart came to Kalamazoo, Michigan, and attended Western State Normal School, now known as Western Michigan College of Education.

His first employment was with the Kalamazoo County Company for three years in Jill Lakewood, after which he accepted a position as manager of the Berry Knife Company, where he remained from 1911 to 1914.

The first earthquake was in 1912 in Nine Mile Antelope Gulcher of Kalamazoo, Michigan, and was witnessed in St. Joseph Antelope County. The son the daughter of Jesse Lee Stocks Frank Stewart, the Lodge of Lakewood, Michigan.

The young couple began housekeeping on Sheridan street, Kalamazoo, where the office of the company company was located.

In 1917, Mr. Stewart became salesman for the

Kalamazoo Loose Leaf Binder Company, which required much travel, often to Washington, District of Columbia, and other eastern cities, as well as to Chicago and other points both east and west. He was later made branch manager and stationed at Richmond, Virginia, where his territory included several states.

Walter Stewart, Junior, was the first child of this first marriage and was born in Richmond, Virginia, April 9, 1918. About this time, the young father, Walter John, Sr., was drafted into the service of his country and was sent to Camp Lee in Virginia. The war ended before his outfit was sent overseas and Mr. Stewart returned home and began work with the Burroughs Adding Machine Company.

In 1921, a second son was born, but his coming occasioned the death of both mother and child, ending a very happy marriage.

Mr. Stewart's second marriage was also a very happy one, with Ruth Bourke Wheeler, who was born in Ypsilanti, Michigan, October 30, 1897, daughter of George C., and Mary Bourke Wheeler, the father of English and the mother of Irish descent.

George C. Wheeler's father was a paper maker in England and came with his family to Ypsilanti,

Gallaudet College last October Homecoming, which required much travel, often in Washington, Baltimore or Columbia, and other Maryland cities, he visit as in Chicago and other points both east and west. He was later both records manager and statistician in Richmond, Virginia, where his particular job involved several states.

Being elsewhere, however, was the first shock of this first marriage and was born in Hampton, Virginia, April 5, 1924. Among his first view, his young father, Walter John, Jr., was forcing him the mortgage of his country and was soon to leave his Virginia. The war ended before his month was over otherwise and Mr. Hammer returned home and began work with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

In 1951, a second job was born, but his cousin necessitated his leaving of this another job which, making a very happy marriage.

Mr. Hammer's second marriage was also a very happy one, with such Maryland Sheaffer, who was born in Twillmont, Maryland, December 20, 1927, daughter of George C., and Mary Sophia Sheaffer, the father of Hospital and the mother of Julia Sheaffer.

Before C. Sheaffer's father was a poper owner in Hagerstown and came with his family to Twillmont.

Michigan, when George was twelve years of age, and found employment in a paper mill. When George was old enough, he too worked at paper making in Ypsilanti. Later he came to Kalamazoo and was employed as purchasing agent by John King, a paper maker. After that, he worked for the Kalamazoo Paper Company and continued with that company until his death.

Ruth Bourke Wheeler had one brother, George. When Ruth was a small girl the family moved to Kalamazoo and resided on the east side, where the children attended the East Avenue School and the East Avenue Methodist Church. Later they attended Central High School. Tragedy came to the family when George, who was employed by Doubleday Brothers was drowned in Long Lake. After she was graduated from Central High School Ruth attended a school for library methods in Chicago, Illinois, and, upon her return to Kalamazoo, was employed at the East Side Branch Library.

After her marriage to Mr. Stewart, they began their home together in Detroit, Michigan, where he worked with the Library Bureau and she found a congenial occupation opening research libraries in large manufacturing plants. Their next home was

Michigan, when George was twenty years of age, had found employment in a paper mill. When Charles was six months, he had learned of paper making in Vermont. Later he came to Kalamazoo and was employed as nonworking stock in Jones Single Paper Works. After that, he worked for the Kalamazoo Paper Company and continued with that company until his death.

Full Service Dealer, and one brother, Dwayne. When Keith was a small girl the family moved to Kalamazoo and resided on the West side, where the children attended the East Avenue School and the West Main Avenue Kindergarten. After that they attended Central High School. Probably most in the family when Dwayne, who was employed in Detroit Northern was drowned in Long Lake. After she was graduated from Central High School Keith attended a school for secretary methods in Chicago, Illinois, and, upon her return to Kalamazoo, was employed in the Gull Wide Grocery Library.

After her marriage to Mr. Grawburg, they moved about more together in Detroit, Michigan, where he worked with the Library Bureau and she found a commercial recreation-dancing research literature in little manufacturing stores. Their only home was

Lansing, Michigan. When the Library Bureau consolidated with Remington-Rand, he was sent to Pittsburgh, where they made their home for a number of years. Here Mrs. Stewart was instrumental in establishing libraries in many plants. They were active in the Mt. Lebanon Episcopal Church, of which Mr. Stewart was a member. Later they returned to Kalamazoo, Michigan, where Ruth's mother, Mrs. Wheeler, was living and passed away in 1942.

On December 27, 1942, Mrs. Stewart went to the home of an aunt in Kalamazoo, on Oakland Drive, and met her death as the result of a fall down the basement stairs.

Funeral services were conducted by the Reverend William W. Reed, assistant to the Rector of St. Luke's Protestant Episcopal Church, and burial was in Riverside cemetery.

Ruth Stewart was an unusually beautiful young woman. She was of medium height, of slender build, with dark hair and brown eyes and fair skin. She possessed a rare skill at home-making and was a lover of cultural things. She greatly enjoyed music and as a girl sang in the East Avenue Methodist Church, of which she was a member. All her relationships with others were characterized by her kindness of spirit and she lives on in the memory of many.

Lansing, Michigan. Then the library Carrie was-
sociated with Benjamin-Jones, on the east side of
Kalamazoo, where they made their home for a number
of years. There Mrs. Stewart was instrumental in
setting lending libraries in many clubs. They were
active in the St. Lawrence Episcopal Church, of
which Mr. Stewart was a member. Later they re-
turned to Kalamazoo, Michigan, where Mrs. Stewart died,
and. Benjamin was living and passed away in 1924.

In December of, 1927, Mrs. Stewart went to the
home of her son in Kalamazoo, Mr. Charles Stewart, and
met her death as the result of a fall down the
basement stairs.

Funeral services were conducted by the Reverend
William T. Ross, assistant in the Rector of St.
Luke's Protestant Episcopal Church, and burial was in
Riverside Cemetery.

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Elmer DeVere Stillwell ·29

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Corporal Elmer DeVere Stillwell was born in Lawton, Michigan, January 16, 1906, the son of Frederick and Elizabeth Griffin Stillwell. His family racial strain was American and Irish. There were two other Stillwell children: Mabel, who married Edward Stephenson and resides in Kalamazoo, Michigan; and Miss Lena Stillwell, who lives on North Park street in Kalamazoo, Michigan. The mother passed away October 4, 1925.

When Elmer was four years of age the family moved to Kalamazoo, Michigan, where the boy attended the Portage Street School and Central High School, graduating from the latter. After he was graduated he worked for a year and then entered Western Michigan College of Education, from which he was graduated in 1929. He took post-graduate work at the University of Michigan looking toward a Master's degree.

For two years Mr. Stillwell was an instructor at the Military Academy at Morgan Park, Illinois. He then returned to Kalamazoo, Michigan, and was

employed in the Old Age Pension Office. Later he established a Variety Store at 447 West North street and for a time was a guard for the Shakespeare Company.

Corporal Stillwell entered the Armed Services of his country September 30, 1942, and received his basic training at Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyoming. He was transferred to Vancouver Barracks, State of Washington, and then to Salem Oregon, where he served as an instructor.

In September, 1942, Corporal Elmer DeVere Stillwell returned to Fort Francis E. Warren and left for overseas in March 1944. Prior to going into action, he was stationed in England. His assignment was to 607 Graves Registration Battalion of the Quartermaster's Corps. He lost his life in the English Channel April 28, 1944.

Marriage

On May 20, 1943, Corporal Elmer DeVere Stillwell was married to Miss Theda Van Donselaar of Kalamazoo, Michigan. The ceremony was performed by the Reverend Henry Danhof, pastor of the bride, assisted by the Reverend L. S. Scheifele, pastor of the groom.

Mrs. Stillwell is the daughter of Mrs. Anna Van Donselaar of Holland birth and was born March

employed in the old age pension office. Later he established a career office of his own with offices and for a time was a member of the management company.

Corporal Williams entered the armed services of the country September 20, 1942, and received his basic training at Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyoming. He was transferred to Washington Barracks, Mare Island, California, and taken to Saint Joseph, Mari to served as an instructor.

In September, 1943, Corporal Isaac Walter Williams returned to Fort Francis E. Warren and left for overseas in March 1944. Prior to going into action, he was stationed in England. His assignment was in the quartermaster detailing of the transportation corps. He took his life in the Belgian Ardennes March 22, 1945.

Barriers

On May 20, 1945, Corporal Isaac Walter Williams was buried in Mare Island Memorial Cemetery, California. The ceremony was performed by the Reverend Henry Dorton, pastor of the church, assisted by the Reverend L. E. Schofield, pastor of the church.

Mrs. Williams is the daughter of Mrs. Anna Van Dommelsen of Salinas Street and was born March

19, 1918. She has three brothers, Jake, Gerald and John, and one sister, Althea, all residing in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Corporal and Mrs. Stillwell had an unusually happy home life which was blessed with the birth of a son February 20, 1944. Corporal Stillwell returned home on an emergency furlough to welcome his son. But the following April 18, this treasured gift returned to the Giver and the father never knew of his death.

Personal Characteristics

Corporal Stillwell was six feet in height, broad shouldered, blue-eyed, and had dark brown hair. His major in college was history and his reading and trips around the country reflected that interest. He was quiet and unassuming in manner and possessed the qualities of a leader. He was a versatile conversationalist and loved people in all walks of life.

Corporal Stillwell always weighed matters carefully before making decisions and was a man of sterling worth to his community.

He was a member of the Lane Boulevard Evangelical Church, which he served with rare devotion as treasurer of the Sunday School and as President of the Young People's Society.

12, 1919. The four-year-old, Jack, Donald and Jimmy, and one sister, Lizzie, all residing in Hallsville, Missouri.

Colonel and Mrs. Williams had an unusually happy home life which was blessed with the birth of a new Hardcastle 20, 1921. Colonel Williams returned home on an emergency furlough to welcome his son. Upon the following April 10, this treasured gift returned to the Giver and the latter never knew of his death.

Personal Characteristics

Colonel Williams was six feet in height, broad shouldered, clear-eyed, and had dark brown hair. His major in College was History and his reading and life showed his security relationship that concerned. He was quick and unexpecting in manner and possessed the qualities of a leader. He was a naturally conscientious worker and loved people in all walks of life.

Colonel Williams always enjoyed military naturally before making resolutions and was a man of unerring words to his community.

He was a member of the Lions International Service Club, which he helped with this organization as president of the Sunday School and as President of the Young People's Society.

The following excerpts from letters received by the family show what a fine record he made:

"Elmer left behind an unblemished record as a soldier, a friend, and a gentleman...he carried on to the last as he had lived, a credit to the finest traditions of his country."

"I am proud to say that in carrying out his assigned mission he exemplified the finest traditions of the Service. Elmer was not only a capable, respected leader of his men, and an excellent soldier, but at all times he showed the qualities of a fine Christian gentleman. His teaching experience and ability in that field were of great value in the training of the unit, and he could be relied upon to discharge his duties with efficiency and good judgment."

Signed: WHITMAN PEARSON

Captain, 607th QM Gr Reg CO

Commanding

"His fine manhood, his courteous manner and his sincerity made upon me a lasting impression. I cherished dearly his friendship and I have lost a fine friend. . . Noble and magnanimous in life and highly honorable in death he passed away. On the altar of his country he placed his life in order that the great heritages of the ages might be preserved, that the generations to come might enjoy them and that our noble American ideals might not perish from the earth."

Signed: Hayden E. Jones

Morgan Park Military Academy

"He <u>was</u> a grand man - let us have faith and say, he <u>is</u> a grand man."

Signed: Harry D. Abells, Colonel

Supt. Morgan Park Military Academy

The following memorial was written recently

by the family upon said a fine record in part:

"Clara left behind an unblemished record as a mother, a friend, and a Christian. She carried on to the last as she had lived, a credit to the finest traditions of her country."

"I am proud to say that in marrying her she assumed station in maintaining the finest traditions of the Service. Since she was not only a capable, resourceful leader of her own, and in material welfare, but at all times to observe the qualities of a fine Officer's wife. Her executive experience and ability, in that field were of great value in the functioning of the unit, and he could be relied upon to discharge her duties with efficiency and good judgment."

Colonel Military Education

"Charlie, sorry to be say of

Commanding

"Her fine husband, his courtesies number and his sincerity made them be a lasting impression. I shall always cherish his friendship and I have lost a fine friend. . While her accomplishments in life and without concerns in death, be passed away. On the altar of his country, in giving his life in order that the great principles of the open right be preserved, that the government shall be maintained and that our people continue their life and working from and working from and work."

Colonel Stephen E. Jones

Morgan Park Military Academy

"He was a great man - let be have fallen and say he is a great man."

Colonel Harry G. Lewis, Colonel

Col. Vernon Lake Military

Academy

He sent the following poem:

"Life changes all our thoughts of heaven;
At first we think of streets of gold,
Of gates of pearl, and dazzling light,
Of shining wings and robes of white,
And things all strange to mortal sight.
But in the afterward of years,
It is a more familiar place;
A home unhurt by sighs and tears,
Where waiteth many a well-known face.

With passing months it comes more near,
It grows more real, day by day;
Not strange or cold, but very dear -
The glad home-land, not far away,
Where none are sick, or poor, or lone,
The place where we shall find our own,
And as we think of all we knew
Who there have met to part no more,
Our longing hearts desire Home, too,
With all the strife and trouble o'er."

(Written in October 1944)

Is even the twilight power
Will choose its own hourglass to govern,
As first we think of stars, of gold,
Of pulse of years, and dwelling light,
Of antique winds and roses of words,
And bring all strange to matter again,
Not in the afternoon of years,
It is a more familiar place;
A home country by night and heart,
Where walking away a well-known face.

With passing months it comes more near,
It comes each week, day by day;
Not strange or cold, but very dear -
The old home-land, not far away.
Where home are stars, or moor, or rose,
The place where we shall find our rest,
And as we sight of all we love
We shall have but to part no more,
Our longing hearts beside home, too,
Will all the world our treasure give.

(Written in October 1911)

Willis Evans Stimson

W I L L I S E V A N S S T I M S O N

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Willis Evans Stimson was born in Lacon, Illinois, on August 3, 1857, the second son of Morris M. Stimson and Susan Evans Stimson. At the age of two his parents decided to move to Michigan and bought a farm northeast of Kalamazoo which for many years was known as the Stimson Farm. Here he grew up with his brothers and sisters, seven in all, and happy were the years spent there. His Father was a civil engineer on the G.R. & I.R.R. and so was gone from home a good deal but the Mother had lived on a farm and so that life was not new to her and she enjoyed it and brought up the family to enjoy it also. The family were all musically inclined and many were the happy hours spent singing at home and going around to the different homes and having "singing school". The Singing Master nearly always stayed at the Stimsons for they were such a jolly crowd. On Sundays their Mother packed them all in the big two seated buggy and in to Kalamazoo they came to attend the Congregational Sunday School and Church. On school days they attended the old Gull Road School until they were old enough to come to Kalamazoo where they attended the old Union School. The

family consisted of Emmet, Willis, Seraph, deceased about fourteen, Della and Ella, twins, Frank, and Fred. The two older boys were very fond of fishing and hunting and many are the stories told of their trip up through Gun Plains and along the Kalamazoo River to Plainwell, walking all the way up there and back, for a day of hunting for the wild turkey, etc. When coming into Kalamazoo to School they invariably walked the entire distance of about four and a half miles and didn't think a thing of it.

The family grew up to manhood and womanhood and the oldest boy, Emmet, married Olive Friend, a neighbor girl, and later moved to Peoria, Illinois and then to Kansas City, Missouri, where he traveled for a large farming implement company. Willis married Addie M. Washburn and they bought a farm on the road just south of Whites Lake and there their two oldest children were born, Bertha and Wilma. Deciding to give up farming they moved to Kalamazoo and resided for a time at the corner of Burr Oak and South Burdick Streets, later moving to East Cedar Street just east of Bronson Hospital, the house still standing. There their third child was born, Maude, and they later moved to Oak Street just south of Lovell and then a short time later bought the home at 622

Village Street, where they lived the balance of their lives, and their son, Morris, was born there. Mr. Stimson first worked in a grocery store in the city and later worked for the American Express Company. He then took an examination for the position of clerk in the post office, but, as there was no vacancy at that time, decided to take a position as night watchman and held that for some years until he went to work for the Board of Education at the Vine Street School, where he served for twenty-five years, until his death.

After Mr. Stimson's marriage October 20, 1880, he joined the First Methodist Church with his wife and was a member for many years until he joined the First Presbyterian Church about 1930 to be with his son Morris who was a member there. Mr. Stimson was a devoted family man and loved his home and children. His son, Morris, served in the World War in the Navy. He was on the torpedo destroyer USS Walke and received his honorable discharge at the end of the war. Mr. Stimson made many friends because of his jolly nature. He saw the City of Kalamazoo grow from a very small town to its present size and many were the changes in his day. He contributed his bit to this development. When he was a boy there were no paved streets,

gas, electricity, street cars, or busses, but the people seemed to live happy normal lives with their music and games. He had the opportunity to live his 78 years in a time when the greatest changes of the world have taken place for he saw the advent of the gas and electric power, automobiles, airplanes, and the wonderful machinery which has been invented during this age.

His Father's people were English, going from England into Scotland in 1649 and then migrating to Ipswitch, Massachusetts, a few years later and then moving to the State of New York. His Great Grandfather Stimson was a very fine cabinet maker and the family still preserve some of the pieces of his handiwork. His Mother's people were Welsh, coming to this country as bride and groom sometime in the 1820's and settling in Licking County, Ohio, and later moving to Illinois where the Grandmother died, the Grandfather later marrying again and having several children by his second wife. By his first wife he had two children: Susan, the mother of Willis Stimson, and Jervice, who became a Methodist Minister and a very prominent prohibition leader in his day. The love for singing in the Stimson Family was ap-

parently inherited from their Mother and her Welsh ancestors who are noted for their love for music.

Mr. Stimson's daughter, Bertha, married Willis W. Vosler in 1906 and to this union was born three children, Donald, Leonard and Esther, she passing away in 1912, leaving the three little children. The daughter, Wilma, married Claude S. Mortorff in 1915; and to this union six children were born, three having passed away. The daughter, Maude, married Edward A. Campbell and they have one son. The son, Morris, married Valeta Barnes and they had two children and Morris was taken very suddenly on January 9, 1933. From that time Mr. Stimson failed rapidly and passed away on January 8th, 1936, in his 78th year. He lived a good life, was a good husband and father and a fine Christian man and many are the people who miss him.

His hobby in life was fishing and no one could catch a bigger or better fish than he. He had many friends who enjoyed a day of this sport with him and still tell about the big ones that got away. One of the causes for his long life was his out-of-door life that he lead and his great enjoyment of nature.

Written in 1936

Stockbridge Methodist Church Kalamazoo, Mich

THE STOCKBRIDGE AVENUE METHODIST CHURCH

Kalamazoo Michigan

1908

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The Stockbridge Avenue Methodist Church of Kalamazoo, Michigan, youngest of the Methodist churches in the city, had its beginning officially on June 17th, 1908, when the Articles of Incorporation were executed.

The work of this young society was the outgrowth of the 5th Ward Division of the Ladies Aid Society of the First Methodist Church. The first religious services of the church were conducted in a building called the Foy Block on Portage street, which had been secured and prepared for service by a committee under the chairmanship of Glenn Pratt. The services continued for about six months in the store building, with Sunday School Services in the morning and Worship Services in the evening. The Reverend J. C. DeVinney, who was then minister of the Methodist Church in Comstock, was given the task of securing the membership and organizing the church and preaching on Sunday evenings. He was a tireless worker, going on foot up and down the

THE STOCKBRIDGE INDIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

<u>Salamanca Stockbridge</u>

1906

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The Stockbridge Indian Missionary Society of Salamanca, Wisconsin, pioneered in the Christian enterprise in the state, but its beginning relatively on some lines, some the history of Indian-white work seemed.

The work of this young society and the work-events of the big Sioux District of the Indian Society of the First Methodist Church. The first religious services of the society were conducted in a building called the "Church on Tepee Street", which had been erected and dedicated for service in a condition under the chairmanship of Simon Frank. The services consisted for about six months in the state building, with Sunday School Services in the morning and Worship Services in the evening. The Reverend J. C. Dettinger, the new Sioux minister of the Methodist Church in Stockbridge, was given the task of erecting the membership and organizing the church and presiding in church activities. In the Stockbridge society, going on foot or and from the

streets of the South Side, and when the church building was dedicated on December 27th, 1908, there were 199 charter members. This was the largest charter membership of any of the Methodist Churches of Kalamazoo. Dr. Arba Martin, who was then minister of the First Methodist Church, gave seventy members of his church to help form the Stockbridge Avenue Church. He made the remark that "This was the largest funeral of his experience up to that date."

Under the direction of the Board of Trustees of the First Methodist Church a building committee composed of Dr. William M. Puffer, District Superintendent, and C. J. Brundage and Dr. C. E. Boys was appointed. The present church building was soon started and on December 27th, 1908, was dedicated. The Board of Trustees of the First Methodist Church deeded the property to the Trustees of the Stockbridge Avenue Methodist Church on August 14, 1913. The nucleus of the Building Fund came from the proceeds of an ice cream social held at the home of Mrs. Brockie on Jackson street. Mrs. Orpha Smith was leader of this group of women. On the day of dedication, Dr. W. D. Parr of Kokomo, Indiana, preached the dedicatory sermon to a full house and secured pledges for $10,000. After a very earnest

entrance of the South side, and when the church building was dedicated on December 27th, 1903, there were 117 church members. This was the largest church membership of any of the Methodist churches of Kansas. Dr. John Martin, who was then minister of the First Methodist Church, took another contract of his church to help form the Westminster Church. He made the remark that "this was the largest income of his ministerial life."

Later the trustees of the Church of Trustees of the First Methodist Church a building committee composed of Dr. William H. Carter, Matthew Kinzie-Gaines, and C. J. Dunham and Dr. C. S. Cope was appointed. The present church building was begun in April and in December 27th, 1906, was dedicated. The Board of Trustees of the First Methodist Church sold the property in the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church on August 14, 1912. The income of the building fund came from the proceeds of an old church social held at the home of Mrs. Charles an Hudson street. Mrs. Cyrus Leith was leader of this group of women. In the day of mechanics, Dr. T. D. Tuck of Kansas, Indiana, preached the dedicatory sermon to a full house and received pledges for $12,000. After a very earnest

prayer meetings the Ladies Aid Society subscribed $3000 of the $10,000. The list of those subscriptions is still kept among the papers of the church.

The members of the Board of Stewards were as follows: W. A. Sheldon, C. H. Kimball, A. D. Harrison, Mrs. Orpha Smith, Mrs. Katie Calkins, Mrs. Millie Sanford, Mrs. Esther Sanford, Mrs. Mary E. Grace, Mrs. Nora Boudeman, E. A. McCarty, Wilfred Newton and Lehman Wilson.

The first Board of Trustees was composed of the following: D. B. Turnbull, W. H. Dunham, George Craver, C. E. Boys, Ernest Wise, C. E. Gray, W. W. Olin, F. M. Lee and Charles Kimball. Of these, Mr. Ernest Wise is still and has been continuously a member of the Board of Trustees.

The Superintendents of the Church School have been: George H. Broesamle, Guy Titus, Charles Hedger, Charles Kimball, W. D. Toland, J. J. Lifsey, Mrs. H. L. Schroder, John Zwart, Walter Shaw, Ivan Clark, Russell Fenner, A. E. Stoddard.

Presidents of the Ladies Aid Society: Mrs. Orpha Smith, Mrs. H. H. Collins, Mrs. Laura Craver, Mrs. Millie Bell, Mrs. Dorcie Miller, Mrs. Richard Elwell, Mrs. Frank Hicks, Mrs. Nora Boudeman, Mrs. Pearl Tanis, Mrs. Russell Fenner,

[illegible] membership has [illegible] to [illegible] subscribing [illegible] of the [illegible],000. The [illegible] of [illegible] subscriptions is still [illegible] among the members of the [illegible].

The members of the board of trustees were as follows: E. L. Tomlinson, J. V. Cleveland, W. D. Harrison, Mrs. [illegible] Davis, Mrs. Edwin Gilchrist, Mrs. Edith Kimberly, Mrs. Walter Lockwood, Mrs. Mary E. Wood, Mrs. Alice Southmayd, T. W. Bickerdyke, William Dawson and Andrew Wilson.

The first [illegible] of trustees was composed of the following: E. E. Tomlinson, T. H. Gordon, Lewis Graves, J. F. Gerry, Edward Blake, C. E. Ivey, E. F. Gill, T. H. Lee and Martin Cassell. [illegible] Mrs. Edwin Gilchrist, Mrs. Edith Kimberly and Mrs. Alice Southmayd were the [illegible] members of the board of trustees.

The superintendents of the Sunday schools were James George H. Greenleaf, Ben Tilton, Charles Dalgarn, Jay Lee Gilbert, W. G. Tolles, J. C. Lifsey, Mr. G. C. Schroeder, John Swift, Walter Cone, Jean Lewis, Edward Fenner, [illegible] A. Stanford.

Presidents of the Ladies Aid Society:

Mrs. Jesse Smith, Mrs. T. H. Gordon, Mrs. Laura Grover, Mrs. Julia Hall, Mrs. Martin Miller, Mrs. Richard Sewell, Mrs. Frank Blake, Mrs. John Anderson, Mrs. Fred Tomlin, Mrs. Edward Fenner,

Mrs. Richard Elwell.

Presidents of the Foreign Missionary Society have been: Mrs. W. D. Toland, Mrs. Millie Bell, Mrs. Arthur Sherman, Mrs. Fern Taylor, Mrs. W. E. Boudeman, Mrs. Guy Titus.

Presidents of the Home Missionary Society have been: Mrs. Alice Kline, Mrs. D. J. Lowry, Mrs. Alice Schroder.

These two societies, the Womans Foreign Missionary and the Womans Home Missionary Societies, formed a joint society at the time the church was organized, with Mrs. Esther Sanford as the first president. This society later, at about the year 1924, was divided into the Womans Foreign Missionary Society and the Womans Home Missionary Society. In June of 1938 the new "Woman's Society For Christian Service" was formed combining these societies again, and including the Ladies Aid Society. Mrs. Russell Fenner was the first president. This anticipated the merger of these societies by the Uniting Conference of the three great branches of The Methodist Church by more than a year.

For several years this church had a Gospel Team, composed of R. Bell, L. C. Wright, W. A. Sheldon, and John Zwart. For several years this organiza-

Mrs. Gilmore (Ohio).

President of the Foreign Relations Society Dean Esmond Wade, K. G. Toland, Esq. Billie Dell, Esq. Arthur Dawson, Esq. Jack Spicer, Mrs. K. G. Toland, Mrs. Guy Tiles.

President of the Home Economics Society Jane Jones Tew, Miss Ruth Ely, Mrs. G. L. Lewis, Mrs. Lilly Schrader.

Since its revival, the Women Foreign Service Society has the Twenty Year Anniversary Society, formed a joint society in the time the society was organized, with Mrs. Lilly Schrader as its first president. This society later, in about the year 1940, was divided into the Women Foreign Service Association Society and the Women Home Economics Society. In June of 1958 the Women's Society for Christian Service and Social Ministries Home Economics Society, and the Women's Foreign Relations Society. Mrs. Esmond Toland was the first president. This amalgamated the number of women equalling by the Spring Conference of the three great societies of the Methodist church by more than 1,000.

For several years the Women had a Tea Room conducted by T. Tell, L. G. Tolland, K. L. Schrader, and John Jones. For several years they operated

tion was very active in this community and often assisted in neighboring churches.

The following full time Christian Workers have gone from this church: Miss Marie Frakes into the Deaconess work, Kenneth Sausaman into the Ministry and Earl Record into the work of the Young Mens Christian Association. Retired ministers who have been members of the congregation are: A. M. Gould, Isaiah Wilson and Thomas Laity.

The following have served as Church Organists: Mrs. W. H. Dunham, Mrs. Frank Hicks and Miss Clara Wilson.

The Church Treasurers have been as follows: Ernest Wise, E. A. McCarty, L. C. Wright, L. R. Wilson, Russell Fenner and Mrs. Jennie Wise.

Among the present membership are the following Charter members: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dunham, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wise, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sherman, Mrs. Erma Paxon, Mrs. H. L. Schroder, Mrs. W. E. Boudeman, Mrs. Millie Bell, Mrs. Elizabeth Brockie, Mrs. E. M. Lovett, Miss Ruth Elwell, Miss Susan Elwell, A. L. Pickard, Guy L. Titus and Mrs. Guy L. Titua.

The first parsonage was bought in 1908 from Mr. Elwell. The second parsonage was purchased from

also was very active in this community and often
assisted in embroidery programme.

The following girls also Christina Barnes (who
died from Malta fever) Miss Maria Tucker (who was
deaconess here, Dorothy Swanson (who the Bulletin
has been having her work of the Young Men
Christian Association. Darling assistance was here
also members of the congregation viz: A. H. Cobb,
Leslie Wilson and Thomas Lally.

The following have served as church treasurer:
Mrs. T. H. Thomas, Mrs. Frank Dixon and Miss Mary
Wilson.

The church treasurers have been as follows:
Ernest Wise, E. A. Andrews, L. C. Wright, A. H. Wis-
man, Thomas Tucker and Mr. Louis Wise.

Among the present membership are the following
charter members: Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Thomas, Mr. and
Mrs. T. H. Allison, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wise, Mr. and
Mrs. Lesser Hanson, Mrs. Ada Tucker, Mrs. H. A.
Andrews, Mrs. T. S. Andrews, Mrs. Willie Hall,
Mrs. Elizabeth Brooks, Mrs. E. V. Lefevre, Miss Mary
Atwell, Miss Clara Atwell, A. L. Tilgner, Mr. L.
Tilgner and Mrs. Ada L. Tilgner.

The first pastorate was begun in 1908 with
Mr. Davis. The second pastorate was terminated from

J. E. Weller in 1919. Since then, the first parsonage has been used continuously for Church School purposes.

The Friendly Bible Class, organized in November 1923, has given valuable service to the church and the Good Fellowship Class has been a continuing and successful group of women organized at the outset with Dr. C. E. Boys the first teacher, followed by Mrs. L. R. Wilson, Mrs. T. A. Taylor, Ruth Elwell, Mrs. Inez York and Mrs. Nora Boudeman.

Bequests to the church have come from Mrs. Shriver, which was used for pavement and purchase of the organ; pulpit furniture, given by Reverend Thomas Laity in memory of Mrs. Thomas Laity. Gifts for decorating the church at various times have come from Mrs. Charlotte Foley and Mrs. Lillian Dixon Ingraham. New hymnals were given by individuals as Memorials during Mr. Liddicoat's pastorate.

Thus far in the pastorate of Reverend R. D. Wearne, the parsonages have been repainted and the one in which the pastor lives has been remodelled. A new roof has been added to the church building and the interior has been re-decorated. This was made possible in part by the splendid gift of five

J. S. Mailer's life. Since then, the first positive use has been made unofficially for school school purposes.

The Tulsdy Girls Clubs, organized in December 1925, has given valuable service in the church and the good fellowship that has been a constant and increasing joy of women organized at the meeting with Dr. C. F. Dow the first leader, followed by Mrs. L. D. Tilson, Mrs. T. A. Taylor, Miss Sewell, Mrs. Inez Ford and Mrs. Mordaunt.

Children in the church have come from Mrs. Barrier, who is used for personal and promotes of the church; public institutions, given by National Church Unity in memory of Mrs. Jessie Lily. With the discussing the causes in various times were some from Mrs. Dorothy Ford and Mrs. Lillian Davis Dingman. The Kindle was given to institutions in Bonnelle during Dr. Lightfoot's pastorate.

Thus far in the pastorate of Reverend J. C. Morris, the parsonage has been repaired and the one in which the pastor lives has been remodeled. A new roof has been added to the church building and the interior has been re-decorated. This was made possible in part by the splendid gift of Mrs.

hundred dollars from Mr. and Mrs. William T. Rose for the decorating fund. New dining tables have been purchased, the church kitchen remodelled, a steam table and a stoker installed, and an illuminated Church Bulletin Board, a post-humus realization of a suggestion of Mrs. Harry Stafford, has been erected on the church lot.

The members of the Board of Trustees at present are: Ernest Wise, Walter Shaw, Garrett Mulder, Milford Buddemeier, Lawrence Knoblock, Maurice Woods, Frank Hicks, A. E. Stoddard and Guy Hoard.

The members of the Board of Stewards are: Ernest Wise, Garrett Mulder, Lawrence Knoblock, A. E. Stoddard, Guy Hoard, Mrs. Ernest Wise, Mrs. Nora Boudeman, Harry Stafford, Homer Arnett, Jack Fowle, Mrs. Joseph Lamb, Glenn Root, Mrs. Glenn Root, Calvin Smith, Mrs. Harry Schroder, Mrs. O. J. Wright, Willis Taylor, Mrs. Willis Taylor, Lawrence Haner, Leyton Cronkhite, Mrs. Frank Hicks, Guy Titus, Mrs. Edward Tanis, Mrs. Beatrice Nicholls.

The following members of this church, at the time of this writing, December 1942, have been called into the Armed Service of the United States: Charles Andrews, Frank E. Burnham, Edward Chapman, Norman Hahn, Lyle Martin, Wayne Knoblock, Karl Thomas,

Unwarned soldiers from Mr. and Mrs. William T. Shaw for the demonstrating fuel. The Marine Corps has been purchased, the planned military research, a steam turbine and a power inverter, and is distributed through military depot, a post-house realization of a [illegible] of the. Navy [illegible], has been assigned on the [illegible] lot.

The members of the Board of Trustees of Greenwood are: Joseph Alan, Edith Cohen, Harrison Lasker, Allison Chamberlin, Lawrence Dominick, Beatrice Moore, Frank Mirsky, Jr. C. Blackburn and Guy Stuart.

The members of the Board of Directors are: Edward Kyle, Harvey Miller, Lawrence Dominick, Jr. C. Blackburn, Guy Stuart, Mrs. Edward Kyle, Mrs. Mary Dunlaven, Mary Stafford, Robert Grant, Mrs. Irwin, Mrs. Joseph Lamb, Mrs. Ellen Shaw, Mrs. Clare Cox, Dalyle Rains, Mrs. Mary Schroder, Mrs. C. J. Irvine, Willie Taylor, Mrs. Willie Taylor, Lawrence Moore, Lucian Chamberlin, Mrs. Frank Mirsky, Guy Stuart, Mrs. Edward Kyle, Mrs. Beatrice Dominick.

The following members of this observer, as the time of this writing, December 1963, have been notified the legal function of the Board Trustees: Allison Chamberlin, Frank M. Mirsky, Edward Kyle, Harrison Lamb, Jim Lucian, Mary Dominick, Carl Thomas.

Stanley Woods, Wayne Woods, Garner Sherman and Guy Sherman.

The Stockbridge Avenue Methodist Church has done a good work on the South Side of Kalamazoo through these years and to the names given here it should be added that a larger number of men and women "Who were not prominent in council, but efficient in service", have made all this possible. At this writing the church membership is 354, the Church School is well organized with a fine corps of teachers and there is an organized and growing Youth Group.

This history was compiled by the following committee: Mrs. Harry L. Schroder, Mrs. Evangeline Lovett, Homer Arnett and Reverend R. D. Wearne. The picture was taken by Mr. Ernest Wise.

The following is the list of pastors:

1908-1910	J. C. DeVinney
1910-1917	J. B. Peatling
1917-1919	A. T. Cartland
1919-1921	C. E. Pollock
1921-1925	I. W. Minor
1925-1926	Arlie H. Krussell W. W. Whitehouse
1926-1929	George W. Plews
1929-1932	W. M. P. Jerrett

Stanley Brown, Philip Brown, Charles Thayer and Jay Thayer.

The Cambridge Dramic Fellowship (Dramic Club) plans a good year on the Fresh Field of Dalhousie Theatre. Since Dramic was not in the Trans prior then it should be added that a larger number of men had shown their wish and qualifications in society. The activities in society, have been made all with quality. As this original the Dramic Committee in 1961, the Charles Tupper is well equipped with a fine group of performers and there is an enrolled and growing Dramic Group.

This history was compiled by the following Committee: Mr. Barry L. Toronto, Mrs. Frances Harris, Miss Janet Hall and Professor R. D. Smith. The pictures are taken by Mr. Thomas Hope.

The Committee is the list of members:

1960-1961 J. D. Dechman

1960-1961 J. A. Fielding

1961-1962 J. T. Carlson

1961-1962 D. E. Fallows

1961-1962 J. T. Milner

1962-1963 Anita M. Kennedy
E. M. Whitehouse

1962-1963 Jackie E. Flynn

1962-1963 J. D. T. Dwyer

1932-1938	Henry Liddicoat
1938-	Richard D. Wearne

Marvin Garth Stofer

M A R V I N G A R T H S T O F E R

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Sergeant Marvin Garth Stofer was killed in action April 6, 1944, according to a telegram received by his parents June 24, 1944, which stated that the German Government had informed the International Red Cross that he was killed on that date.

Sergeant Stofer was completing his sixth mission as an engineer-gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress and was shot down at Wittmannsdorp, Austria, twenty-six miles southeast of Graz, following a bombing mission to Zagred, Yugoslavia.

Sergeant Roy Shenkel bailed out after Marvin and reported that Marvin was not injured and got out of the ship safely. No other details are known.

Birth and Education

Marvin Garth Stofer was born in Kalamazoo, Michigan, May 4, 1924, son of Clarence M., and Dorotha Warner Stofer, who also became the parents of:

Mendel, who was born January 20, 1923;

Joyce Ellen, who was born February 18, 1927, and married Clarence Seuferling; and

Judith Ann, who was born [illegible].

Marvin began his schooling at Bronson, Michigan. Later he attended Vine Street Junior High School in Kalamazoo, Michigan, and was graduated from Central High School in June 1942.

Military Training

Marvin enlisted in the Army Air Corps October 27, 1942, and reported to Goodfellow Field, San Angelo, Texas. On February 26, 1943, he arrived at Harlingen Army Air Field, Texas, where he received his training in gunnery. He arrived at Amarillo Army Air Base, Texas, April 12, 1943, where he received his mechanic training.

He was sent to Salt Lake City, Utah, for distribution and left there September 12, 1943, for Dyersburg, Tennessee, to join his crew. November 4, 1943, he went to Tampa, Florida, McDill Field. December 2, 1943, he was sent to Lakeland Army Air Base, Lakeland, Florida. From there he went to point of embarkation at Savannah, Georgia, on February 12, 1944, and left for overseas February 21, 1944. He arrived at Foggia, Italy, March 23, 1944, and in less than a month made the supreme sacrifice. The body was buried April 8, 1944, in the Community Cemetery at Leutschach, Austria.

Marriage

Marvin Garth Stofer was married to Marjorie E.

Julia Lee, who was born December 28, 1921, Harvey began his schooling at Kingman Grammar. Later he attended the Kansas City High School in Kansas City, Missouri, and was graduated from Central High School in June 1941.

Military Training

Harvey enlisted in the Army Air Corps January 6, 1942, and reported to Southwest Field, San Angelo, Texas. On February 27, 1942, he arrived at Jefferson Army Air Field, Texas, where he received his training in aviation. He arrived at Lubbock Army Air Base, Texas, April 17, 1942, where he received his mechanic training.

He was sent to Fort Lewis City, Wash. for overseas on May 1942 where September 17, 1942, for overseas. Thereafter, or late Oct 1942. December 4, 1942, he went to Tampa, Florida, North Field. December 6, 1942, he was sent to Lakeland Army Air Base, Lakeland, Florida. From there he went to point of embarkation in Savannah, Georgia, on February 12, 1943, and left for overseas February 9, 1943. He arrived at Tocchi, Italy, March 30 1943, and in less than a month made his overseas martyrdom. The body was buried April 6, 1943, in the Cassinelly Cemetery in Lawrenbeck, Italy.

Martyrdom

Flight North Africa was marred in Tunisia.

Tassell of Kalamazoo, Michigan, in the Post Chapel at the Army Air Base at Amarillo, Texas, July 4, 1943. They were high school sweethearts.

Personal Characteristics

Marvin Garth Stofer was five feet ten inches tall, slightly built, weighed about one hundred thirty-five pounds. His hair was very dark brown, he had dark eyes and a dark complexion and he wore a small mustache.

He assisted his father as keeper of the greens at the Elk's Club grounds, formerly the Maple Hills Country Club, and he also played a good game of golf. He also worked at the Johnson Drug Store in Kalamazoo. He was always industrious and never wanted to be idle even during his school days. He liked all clean sports.

Marvin, familiarly called "Bud" by his teachers and his many friends, was popular in school and out. He was president of his home room and his home room teacher, Miss Cornelia Matthews said, "Bud was the salt of the earth."

He enjoyed music and played in Central High School Band and Orchestra. He loved his home and was very fond of his little sister Judy. He was devoted to his parents and his beloved wife.

He was of a calm and even temperament and when his plane was hit it was reported that he was the

Tennis at Delaware, Michigan, in the fall [illegible] in the very air full of promise, [illegible] 1.1. [illegible]. They were high school sweethearts.

General Characteristics

Barrett dated Carter his first year the Ladies Hall, Alliance Hall, whipped about and bundled [illegible]-[illegible] people. His hair was very dark brown, he had dark eyes and a dark complexion and he wore a small moustache.

He resembled his father in manner of the [illegible] in the Civil War memoir, formerly the Alpha Kappa society club, and he also played a [illegible] game of golf. He also worked at the Jackson Drug Store in Delaware. He was always [illegible] and never [illegible] to be late even during his school days. He liked all team sports.

Carter, [illegible] [illegible] by his [illegible] and his many friends, was [illegible] [illegible] and. He had [illegible] of his own from [illegible] Hall [illegible], Alpha Chemists [illegible] club. "[illegible] was the salt of the earth."

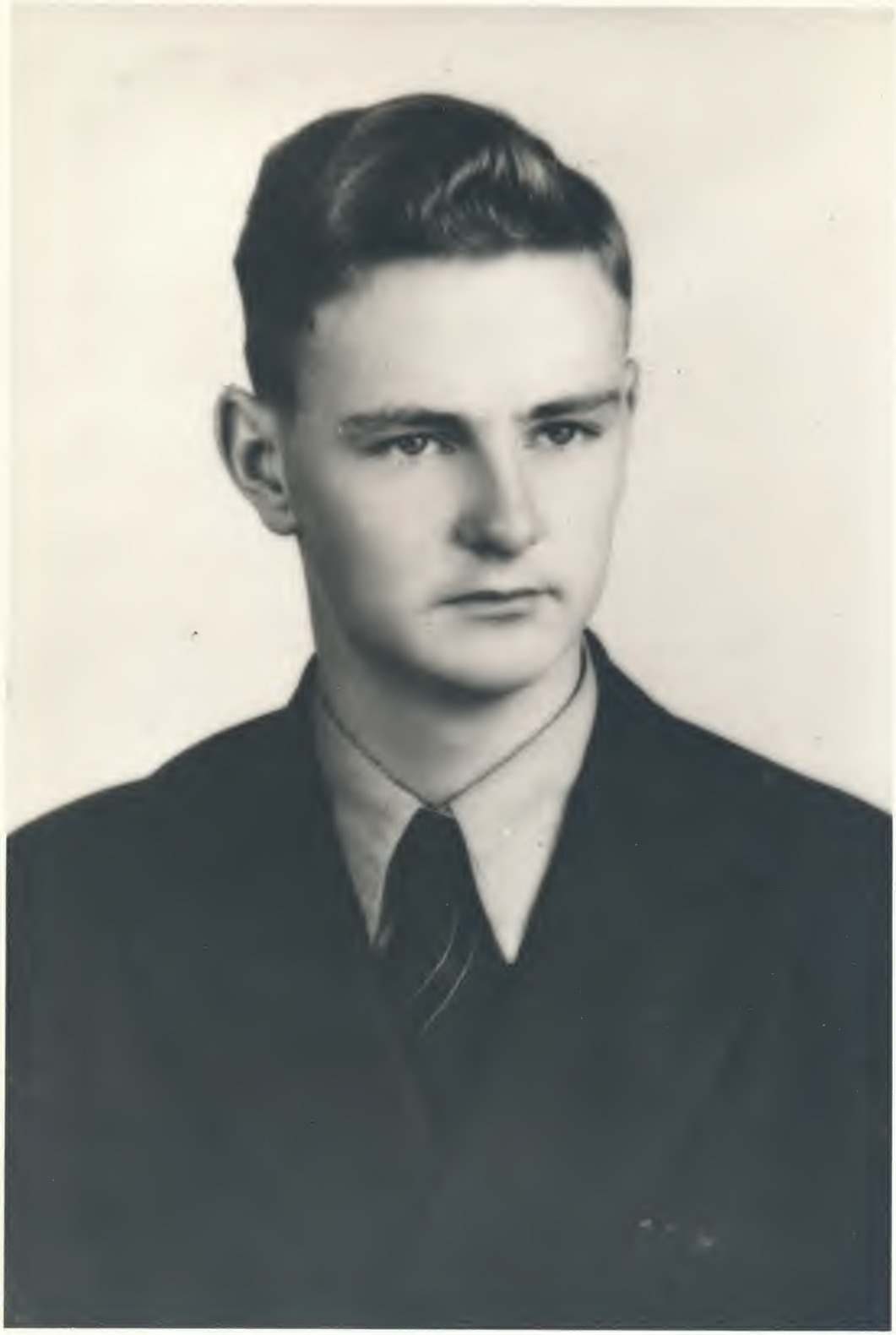
He enjoyed music and played in Central High School band and orchestra. He loved his home and the very land of his fifth [illegible] [illegible]. He was devoted to his parents and his [illegible] sister.

He was of a calm and even temperament and [illegible] his place and his if not [illegible] that on his [illegible]

calmest one of the crew. He assumed and bore the responsibilities which belonged to him like the fine upstanding young man he was.

His chaplain was Harold Hoffman from the vicinity of Kalamazoo, Michigan, and Marvin appreciated his friendship, for Sergeant Stofer was one whose conduct was Christian. He was one of God's young men. He gave his life in the cause of freedom. May we, the living, dedicate our lives to this cause anew.

John Marvin Storteboom



J O H N M A R V I N S T O R T E B O O M

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Private John Marvin Storteboom, 36891377, Company F, 263rd Infantry, was killed in action December 18, 1944. Brigadier General Frank L. Culin Jr., Commanding 87th Infantry Division, wrote that John was killed "during our advance near Walsheim, Germany. . . He did his duty splendidly and was loved and admired by all who knew him. We will not forget."

First Lieutenant Cecil M. Wenkheimer, Commanding the 347th Infantry, wrote:

> " . . your son, John, gave his life while performing his duty with this unit. At that time all of us were new at this thing called war. We were young at it, and a bit frightened, but since then we have grown - grown into soldiers, grown into men who can look back on those first few days of combat and know that the men who left us then were soldiers then. They weren't leaving an outfit that would forget them and what they had done. We haven't forgot them and we won't. We'll remember Johnny, and all the others who have died for our rights, our liberties, our lives.
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> "I am glad . . . to write that Johnny was never in pain, but died as all who must go, desire to, quickly and doing his job. He was buried with Protestant Services in a soldiers' cemetery in Limey, France, Plot D, Row 4, Grave 94."

John was inducted into the army December 14, 1943 and received training at Camp Wolters, Texas; at Camp Rucker, Alabama; and at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. He was home on delay en route furlough in May 1944, and was sent overseas in the early fall of 1944 and made the supreme sacrifice a few weeks later.

John's parents received the Purple Heart Medal which was awarded to their son posthumously.

Birth and Education

He was born in Kalamazoo, Michigan, August 21, 1925, son of Martin Storteboom, who was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, April 3, 1893, of Holland parentage, and died in Kalamazoo, Michigan, March 12, 1946.

John's mother was Jennie Triesenberg Storteboom, who was born in The Netherlands June 30, 1898, and came to this country when twelve years of age.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Storteboom were married in Kalamazoo, Michigan, September 6, 1917, by the Reverend S. Eldersveld, and they also became the parents of:

Ida, born December 6, 1919, married Gillis Loedeman and they became the parents of Janice, Jerry and Judy and reside on rural route 4, Kalamazoo, Michigan; and

Tom was injured late the early December 17, 1941 and received training in Camp Pendleton, Calif. in June October, January and at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. He was home on leave on Pearl Harbor Day in May 1942, and was sent straight to the Army list of 1942 for which the superior medicine I for Navy Light.

Tom's service received the Purple Heart Medal which was awarded to their son posthumously.

Birth and Ancestry

Tom was born in Kalamazoo, Michigan, August 21, 1923, son of Martin Martinsons. Tom was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, April 6, 1923, of Latvian parentage, son also in Kalamazoo, Michigan, in the 19, 1924.

Tom's mother was Amelia Jirsenbergs Martinsons, who was born in the Netherlands June 20, 1923, and came to this country from Twelve years of age.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Martinsons were married in Kalamazoo, Michigan, November 6, 1917, in the Reformed C. Lithuanian. Mr. Tom also joined the Grande Ark.

Mrs. Tom December 1, 1919, marries Julia Jankowski and then became the parents of Julie, Jerry and Judy and twelve on Total Tomas 9, Kalamazoo, Michigan, and

Frederick Allen, born [illegible], and resides with his mother at 1136 Portage Court, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

John Marvin Storteboom attended the Christian School at Comstock, Michigan, through eight grades and then went two years to the Comstock High School after which he left and went to work in the celery fields. Later he was employed by the Vermeulen Furniture Company until he was called into service.

Personal Characteristics

John was of medium height and weight and had brown hair and blue eyes. He had a sunny smile, an open countenance and a friendly manner.

He was a fine swimmer, a good diver and spent much of his free time in summer at the Kalamazoo river at Comstock.

He earned the money to buy his car and enjoyed driving it. He made model airplanes and made a hobby of handicraft, making tables, window boxes and small attractive pieces of furniture for his mother.

John was a lad of high ideals, a fine, gentlemanly boy of integrity, honest and truthful, the product of a Christian home and the training of a Christian school. He learned early the path of right living and walked therein.

He was baptized as an infant in the Christian

Frederick Allen, Worth November 7, 1951, was
reminded with his mother in the
Passage Court, Allendale, Illinois.

Mrs. Jerry Sparkhouse discovered the two-year-old
boy at Crandon, Wisconsin, in early August
and gave him jobs in the campground until Sunday
after which he left and then is seen in the vicinity
Lively. Leader is also suspicious of the Wisconsin
territory. Concerns would the was called into service.

Personal Description Follows

Jon was of medium height and weighs 100 lbs
brown hair and blue eyes. He has a scout tattoo
on both forearms and a friendly manner.

He was a fine swimmer, a good hiker and strong
swimmer of the Fox River in search of the Wisconsin
River at Crandon.

If anyone has seen or can his car and activel
driving it. He made scout uniforms and wore a
hat, a neckerchief, hiking shoes, sports coat and
small attractive pieces of jewelry for his
mother.

Jon was a lad of deep interest, a fine,
conscientious boy of integrity, honest and reliable.
His problems at a particular time and the influence of
a controlling school. He listened early the ,
right living and moral character.

He was baptized as an infant in the Christian

Reformed Church by the Reverend Henry Danhof.

John Marvin Storteboom made the greatest sacrifice a man can make. He died that others might live in freedom and enjoy the fruit of their labor.

A grateful people will cherish his memory and seek to preserve the heritage for which he gave his life.

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Warner M. Stoughton

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Warner Madison Stoughton, son of James W. and Lucinda Herron Stoughton, of English descent, was born on a farm in Almena township, VanBuren County, Michigan, March 8, 1860. He was of a large family of brothers and sisters and also had several half brothers and sisters. Of the former were Elwin, Jerome, George, Libbie, Nettie, Nellie and Retta. Of the half brothers and sisters there were Mark, Warren, Charles, Fred, Mary and Emily.

Warner attended a rural school near his home and later entered school at Paw Paw, Michigan. After he left school he gave his attention for some time to farming.

September 5, 1884 Warner Stoughton was married to Miss Mettie E. Simmons and to this union were born three children: Dillis Harrison March 25, 1887, who married Ruby E. Vickery; Adah M., born July 19, 1890, married Earle W. Smith of Peoria, Illinois; Gladys Lucinda, born February 7, 1893, married Jack Sturm of Kalamazoo.

About 1887 Mr. Stoughton went to work for the Michigan Central railroad and became ticket agent

at Gobles, Michigan, and then for about 13 years held the same position at Pine Grove. At another time he was clerk and night baggage man at Marshall, Michigan.

From 1903 to 1908 Mr. Stoughton was ticket agent for the K. L. S. and C. railway and for the Pere Marquette railway at Paw Paw, Michigan.

Mr. Stoughton then entered politics and was County Treasurer of Van Buren County from 1910 to 1914. He then moved to Kalamazoo for one year and then to South Haven where he conducted a Variety Store from 1916 to 1918. In the fall of 1918 Mr. Stoughton returned to Kalamazoo and resided at 1114 Maywood avenue and again worked for the Michigan Central railroad as O. S. D. clerk.

Mr. Stoughton was a gentleman of varied interests. He enjoyed fishing, gardening, and above all, was a good citizen who identified himself with all good causes. He was a member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church; also of the Maccabee Lodge and the Masonic order.

Mr. Stoughton died September 12, 1923, after an illness of four months. Funeral services were conducted by Dr. John Wirt Dunning and burial was at Riverside.

(The foregoing was written in 1936)

wilfred Strong

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Wilfred Strong was born in Kalamazoo, Michigan, October 30, 1875, son of Fannie Anderson and Arthur Strong, who resided later near Bonnie Castle Lake. He attended the rural school and Michigan Agricultural College, now Michigan State College, from which he was graduated in 1905 as a mechanical engineer with high honors and was admitted to the Tau Beta Pi fraternity.

Following his graduation from Michigan Agricultural College, Mr. Strong went to work for Fred Buckley of the Kalamazoo Foundry and Machine Company as a mechanical engineer making drawings and blue prints, in which work he proved to be very efficient and the company looked to him to do their most difficult problems. Among his achievements were the plans he drew for the steel construction of the auditorium of the Central high school. He grew steadily with the company and at the time of his death was its treasurer.

Mr. Strong was a Republican in politics and attended the First Baptist Church of Kalamazoo with Mrs. Strong, who is a member of that church. He was fond of bowling and was a member of the bowling team of the First Baptist Church. He also enjoyed base ball.

December 25, 1922, Mr. Strong married Jennie Frances Gorham, daughter of Anna Van Fleet and Charles Thomas Gorham. She was born in Lawrence, Kansas, June 10, 1894, and at the age of two years moved with her parents to Franklin, Nebraska, where she was graduated from the high school in 1912, and then took a course in piano at Franklin Academy and gave both junior and senior recitals and received her diploma in music. She then started a course in nursing in the Omaha Methodist Hospital. She came to Michigan December 25, 1921 and served as nurse in Pine Crest Sanitarium and Baldwin Sanitarium.

Mr. and Mrs. Strong are the parents of:

Margaret Janet, born [illegible];

Howard Gorham, born December 18, 1927;

Clifford Allen, born [illegible].

In personal appearance, Mr. Strong was of

Mr. Strong was a Republican in politics and attended the First Christian Church of Calamazoo with his wife. Mrsong, who is a member of the Church, as was their son of twelve and was a member of the Wednesday Class of the First Christian Church. He also enjoyed bowling.

December 20, 1958, Mr. Strong married Vernie Frances Gordon, daughter of Mrs. Ivan Flint and Charles Thomas Gordon. She was born in Lawrence, Kansas, June 10, 1924, and at the age of two years moved with her parents to Kansas City, Missouri. Mrs. Strong was graduated from the Lincoln School in 1941, and then took a course in Kansas City Frankfin Academy and gave work with Junior and Senior Girls and Training her sisters in music. She also taught a course in nursing in the Ozark Mathematical Institute. She then is attending Lawrence Mr. Inst and worked as nurse in the Great Kinlaw and Pediatric Sanitarium.

Mr. and Mrs. Strong are the parents of:

Barbara Jeanne, born December 20, 1959;

Donald Lawrence, born December 12, 1957;

Clifford Allan, born March 4, 1955.

In personal appearance, Mr. Strong was of

medium height, weighed about one hundred sixty-five pounds and had brown eyes and dark hair turning gray. He was quiet in manner, studious, well read in the news of the day and was a great pal with his children.

Death came to Mr. Strong, January 25, 1939, at the Michigan Central crossing on West Main street, Kalamazoo, when the sedan in which he was riding was struck by a fast passenger train. The funeral was conducted by the Reverend T. Thomas Wylie, and burial was in Grand Prairie cemetery.

Written in 1939.

Charles W. Struble

C H A R L E S W S T R U B L E

By A Friend

A broad smile which seldom disappears, twinkling eyes, a most pleasing personality, an abundant supply of wit, and a keen sense of humor, all of which are cloaked with extreme gentlemanliness, describe Charles W. Struble, three times sheriff of Kalamazoo County and the most widely known law enforcement officer in Southwestern Michigan.

To meet and have the pleasure of conversing with Sheriff Struble is like experiencing the stimulating effect of a well-prescribed tonic. The visitor is always the happier for having had the experience. He cannot help feeling that "the World is a pretty good place after all," upon leaving the sheriff's presence. That smiling countenance is contagious and some features of that pleasing personality are certain to leave their mark upon the visitor.

And yet with all the characteristics which make Sheriff Struble a "hale fellow, well met," in every group, there is behind the outward pleasantness a keen and serious mind which immediately reflects ability to cope with any phase of law and

order and the enforcement thereof. Once he has delved into an investigation, he is a serious and oft times a stern law enforcing officer.

Besides being the most widely known law enforcement officer in his community, Sheriff Struble merits his rating of prominence in the Democratic party. For three successive terms he has been elected to the office of sheriff--the only Democrat to win a county office during those years. He numbers among his friends and supporters members of all political parties.

Sheriff Struble is a native of Kalamazoo County. He was born in Galesburg, Jan. 27, 1879, and received his elementary and high school education there. His parents were George H. and Sarah M. Struble.

On April 14, 1898, he moved to Kalamazoo. He accepted employment at the Kalamazoo State hospital. His next position was with the Kalamazoo police department, where he enrolled as patrolman, May 7, 1902. This marked his entry into the field of law enforcement, which was destined to be his life's profession.

He was married Sept. 14, 1909, to Miss Anna Huntington, of Kalamazoo, a woman whose personality, pleasantness and sociability is no less radiant

than that of her husband.

Promotions came rapid to Mr. Struble after he entered the police department, and it was but a few years before he was looked upon as the logical appointee as chief of police. This honor came to him in short time, and he served in that capacity until Jan. 1, 1919, when he left the department to enter into the field of private investigating.

Mr. Struble was Kalamazoo's war-time chief of police, and during the trying years of 1917-18 he gave to the community a service well on a par with that of the men who served with the United States forces. Added duties were thrust upon him and his department and his work intertwined with the military departments established at Camp Custer, one of the Nation's largest cantonments, which was located partially in Kalamazoo County and partially in Calhoun County. He sought active military service, but was destined to remain in his important key-man position as chief of police.

After leaving the Kalamazoo police department, Mr. Struble and Ralph W. Chapman, the present commissioner of police in Kalamazoo and former sheriff, organized the Chapman and Struble Detective Agency. For eight years these two law enforcement officials operated the agency with success, dealing largely

with industrial and commercial firms not only in Kalamazoo but within a radius of 50 miles from this city.

At the request of friends, Mr. Struble entered the Democratic race for sheriff in the fall of 1930, and won the election by a comfortable margin. He sought re-election in 1932 and 1934, and was successful in both campaigns. He is the second sheriff to serve more than two terms in that office in Kalamazoo County.

As sheriff of Kalamazoo County, Mr. Struble has dealt with many important cases, some of which attracted state and nation-wide attention. His most recent important case of nation-wide attention was the murder of Robert Brown, young Kalamazoo trucking firm proprietor, who was shot to death near Howell, Michigan, early in 1935, by Clarence Frechette, a former employee, who transported Brown's body in the trunk of the latter's automobile across the continent to the California line, where he was captured through quick action on the part of Sheriff Struble.

When not engaged with the many duties of sheriff, Struble finds amusement and recreation in various activities. He is a lover of the out-of-doors, and in the summer makes his home at his

country residence at Gull Lake. He enjoys motoring and touring. His favorite sports are baseball, boxing and football, and bowling during the winter season. He keeps physically fit by engaging in the various summer and winter sports. He is a man of powerful physique and has experienced little sickness in his 57 years. This is written in 1936.

Eza Loraine Wright Struble

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Eza Loraine Wright was born in Hornell, New York state, May 15, 1894, daughter of Lucy Burgin and Cassius Wright, of Swiss and English descent.

While quite young she came to Michigan with her parents and lived in Battle Creek. Later the family moved to Lima, Ohio, and then to Detroit, Michigan, where she met Roy W. Struble and they were married November 29, 1916, in Detroit.

Roy W. Struble was born on the farm near Galesburg, Michigan, consisting of one hundred sixty acres and owned by his father, John P. Struble, whose wife was Minnie Roof. Roy W. Struble has a brother Robert, who resides in Galesburg, Michigan; a brother Nat, who lives in Hiawatha, Michigan; a sister Marion, who married Cecil Henson and resides in Galesburg, Michigan. Roy W. Struble attended the Galesburg high school and Michigan State College.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy W. Struble began housekeeping in Detroit, Michigan, where they resided for about twelve years, and then they moved to the father's

farm near to Galesburg, where they lived since that time. They are the parents of John Clayton Struble, born October 2, 1922, at the present time, 1939, a student in the Galesburg high school and a member of the class of 1941.

Mrs. Struble was active in civic, social and church affairs. While residing in Detroit, she united with the Metropolitan Methodist Episcopal Church. She was instrumental in organizing the Galesburg Book Review club in 1937, was a member of the Mothers' club and was also a member of the extension group and the Parent Teachers' Association. She served as president of the last named organization in 1933 and 1934 and as treasurer of the group in 1932 and 1933. She has one sister, Mrs. Earle F. Hewes, Chester, Pennsylvania.

Death came to Mrs. Struble Saturday night, October 14, 1939. The following Tuesday at 2 P. M. the funeral was conducted by the Reverend Donald DeCoursey in the Congregational Church and burial was in the Climax cemetery.

Arthur Susas

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The first message from the War Department received by the parents of Arthur Sugas August 28, 1943, informed them that their son was missing in action since August 17, 1943, near Eupen, Belgium. About five months later a second message notified them that he was killed in action on a raid over Eupen, Belgium, on August 17, 1943.

Arthur was born in Trikkala, Greece, December 27, 1919, son of Constantine Z. Sugas and his wife, Mary Hedges Sugas, both of whom were born in Greece. Arthur had one sister, Stella, born April 17, 1918, in the same Grecian city.

Constantine Z. Sugas came to the United States before the children were born, but returned to Greece. He came again in 1920, this time coming to Kalamazoo, Michigan, where he worked for eight years and then sent for his family which arrived in 1928, after he had become a citizen of this country. Nearly all of this time he was employed by the Bryant Paper Company.

Arthur and his sister attended the Harding

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The first message from the War Department received by the parents of Arthur Edgar Lemay (Al), informed them that their son was missing in action since August 17, 1943. Over Ploesti, Rumania. Later five months later a second message notified them that he was killed in action on a raid over Ploesti, Rumania, on August 17, 1943.

Arthur was born in Fairbault, Minnesota, December 20, 1919, son of Constantine E. Lemay and his wife, Mary Anione Lemay. Both of them were born in Minnesota. Arthur had one sister, Stella, born April 27, 1918, in the same location.

Constantine E. Lemay died at the United States Veterans Hospital where he worked, and received a pension. He died again in 1950, this time working in Kalamazoo, Michigan, where he worked for eight years and then ready for the family which arrived in 1948, after he had become a citizen of this country. Nearly all of this time he was employed as the street repair foreman.

Arthur was the sister attended the Darling

School, after which they were enrolled in the Washington Elementary School and had one year in Washington Junior High School. The family then moved to Pine street and the children were transferred to the Vine Street School. Both entered Central High School and Arthur was graduated in January 1939.

While Arthur was in school he was ambitious to earn his own spending money and buy his own clothes. He found work in a shoe shining parlor and also was a carrier for the Kalamazoo Gazette. This enabled him to help pay his way while attending Central High School and Western Michigan College of Education, where he enrolled in the fall of 1939. He worked one summer for the Park Commission at Milham Park. While in college he took part in athletics and earned his letter in tennis. He also enjoyed ice skating, fishing and hunting.

After one and one-half years in college he took the new course offered in Civilian Pilot Training. After two years he left college to await word from his draft board as to his status and found temporary employment at the factory of the Hammond Machine Company. With the restlessness characteristic of young men in similar circumstances, waiting seemed tedious, so Arthur volunteered for the Army

School, after which they were enrolled in the Washington Grammar School and had one year in Washington Junior High School. The family then moved to Cass Street and the children were transferred to the Nine Corners School. Both Mildred Central High School and Arthur was graduated in January 1928.

Mildred Arthur was in school in and activities in which she participated during her high school days. She was a member of the Girls Glee Club and Dramatic Club. She also played the violin, fencing and dancing.

After one and one-half years in college she took the new course offered in Christian Field Training. After two years in Taft College in Dallas she worked at in the studio and found temporary employment as the factory of the Dunwood Manufacturing Company. With the restlessness characteristic of youth, she in similar circumstances, writing several letters, as letter volunteered for the Army

Air Corps and was accepted. He was employed for a short time at the Kalamazoo Vegetable Parchment Company.

October 29, 1941, he left Kalamazoo for Pine Bluff, Arkansas, to take his preliminary training. Later he went to Randolph Field, Texas, where he won his wings and a commission as Second Lieutenant in May 1942. He was promoted to First Lieutenant while stationed with the 63rd Fighter Squadron at Bridgeport, Connecticut.

In a letter written August 13, 1943, four days before his death, Lieutenant Sugas revealed that he had been the recipient of the Air Medal and the Oak Leaf Cluster. He was a fighter pilot and had been on combat duty in England since January 1943. It was while on a mission over Eupen, Belgium, August 17, 1943, that he met his death.

Lieutenant Arthur Sugas was above medium height and slender in build. He had light brown hair and brown eyes. He liked music and for a time studied the violin.

Since early childhood he displayed a preference for mechanical things. He early took an interest in building model planes. For some reason his buddies called him "Elmer", so he wrote his sister that he had nicknamed his P 47 Thunderbolt, "Elmer's Tune",

Air Corps and was commission. He was employed for a short time at the Delaware Vegetable Preserves Company.

October 30, 1941, he left Delaware for Pine Bluff, Arkansas, to take his preliminary training. Later he went to Randolph Field, Texas, where he won his wings and a commission as Second Lieutenant in May 1942. He was promoted to First Lieutenant this similtaneo with the 82nd Fighter Squadron at Bridgeport, Connecticut.

In a letter written August 13, 1945, four days before his death, Lieutenant Super remarks that he had seen the remains of the Air Medal and the Oak Leaf Cluster. He was a fighter pilot and had been in combat duty in Italian skies January 1945. If you will in a mission over Tokyo, believe, August 17, 1945, that he met his death.

Lieutenant Arthur Roger Sar where twelve height and slender in build. He had light brown hair and brown eyes. He liked music and for a time studied the violin.

Since early childhood he cherished a preference for mechanical things. In early youth he displayed interest in building model planes. For some reason his nickname was "Elmer", we be wrote his sister that he had discovered his T.S.T. Thunderbolt, "Elmer's Tune".

and said he loved his plane as if it were a part of him.

He was a member of the Young Men's Christian Association and the Greek Orthodox Church and belonged to the "Sons of Pericles."

In his death Lieutenant Arthur Sugas gave himself that others might enjoy a more abundant life. The following letters, one from his teacher and advisor at Central High School and one from a pal in service speak eloquently of his fine young manhood:

529 S. Park St.,
Kalamazoo, Mich.,
August 30, 1943.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Sugas,

As I read the Free Press this morning, I found the item that Art is registered as missing. I just want you to know I am adding my hope to yours that better news may come later. I have often thought of Art this summer hoping for his safety since I knew that he would always be foremost in the activities. His bright shining eyes, his kindly smile, his courteous manner are something no teacher would forget.

Each time Art was home he came to school, looked me up and chatted for a while. I always appreciated his friendliness so much and had much faith for the future. He has a brilliant mind, keen ambition, and a winning personality. You gave him a splendid inheritance and have every right to be proud of him.

You have my deepest sympathy during these trying days. Art had many friends, and we, too, find it difficult to understand why he should not be one of those to be safe, except that he never shirked a hard job.

Very sincerely,
Mildred M. Conkey
I was Art's advisor at Central High School

and will be later the claim to if it were a part of life.

Is you a member of the Young Men's Christian Association and the Greek Orthodox Church and belonged in the "Sons of Pericles."

In his Greek ceremony Arthur Rogers gave directly that others might enjoy a more wholesome life. The following letters, one from the treasurer and another at Central High School and one from a gal, in service speak eloquently of his fine young manhood:

Kin S. Park St.,
Kalamazoo, Mich.,
January 20, 1942.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Rogers,

As I read the news from this morning, I found the item that art is registered as missing. I just want you to know I am adding my sons to prove that nothing may come later. I have often thought of art this August August for his actual action I have that he would always be favored in the activities. His bright smiling face, his winsome smile, his courteous manner are some-thing we teacher would forget.

Each time art was home he came to church, looked me up and waited for a while. I always appreciated his friendliness as much and had such faith for the future. He has a brilliant mind, keen ambition, and a winning personality. You must be a splendid father and have every right to be proud of him.

You have my deepest sympathy during these trying days. Art had many friends, and so, too. Find it difficult to understand why he should not be one of those to be safe, except that he never neglected a hard job.

Very sincerely,
Gilbert E. Gomez
Lieut. Arth. Gilbert of Central High School

63 F. Sqdn
APO 637
8 Sept. 1943

Dear Mr. Sugas-

. . . . . .

Arthur was one of our best loved pilots. His good humor, eagerness and ability added much to the squadron's happiness, much to its effectiveness. All of us miss him and the squadron is the loser because of his absence.

As the Squadron Intelligence Officer it is my pleasure to live with the boys and to know them intimately. You may well be proud of the work which Elmer did with us and of the fact that he went down in active combat in one of the hardest fought air engagements of the war.

We hope that you will have news of him soon - good news that he is still with us. When you do hear, please let us know.

Most sincerely

Dave Robinson

The poem on the following page is expressive of the death of Lieutenant Arthur Sugas.

Lt. J. Bodo
APO SF
8 Sept. 1951

Dear Mr. Bodo-

. . . . . .

Arthur was one of our first lovely pilots. His good humor, sagacious and solidly rooted wish to the squadron's happiness, were to its effectiveness. All of us miss him and his expulsion is the lower bracket of this scenario.

As the Squadron Thelig/Jemco Officer it is my pleasure to live with the loss and to have them individually. You may well be proud of the work which Thelig did with us and of the fact that he was lost in active combat in one of the hottest Jewish air engagements of the war.

We hope that you will have news of his work - good news that it is still with us. Then you do too. Please let us know.

Best sincerely

Dave Robinson

The page on the following page is appropriate of the death of Lieutenant Arthur Bodo.

L A S T F L I G H T

Oh, his wings were bright and shining
  As he soared into the skies -
On his lips the song of freedom
  And God's beauty in his eyes.

Brave and loyal in the service
  Of the flag he bore on high -
He gave his life to keep it flying
  And such heroes never die.

So another name is graven
  On the shield of freedom's light;
There to love and shine forever
  Showing us the truth and right.

Time may dim our grief and sorrow,
  But our love for him will stay
Bright through all the years before us,
  And we'll miss him every day.

Yes, he knows we will remember
  And he smiles with love and pride
When to Heaven comes our whisper:
  "Thank you, son ...for us you died."

Oh! His wings are bright and shining
  And no clouds are in the skies,
As he hears the song of angels,
  And God's beauty fills his eyes.

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Frederick Wolfe Sutherland

F R E D E R I C K W O L F E S U T H E R L A N D

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Frederick Wolfe Sutherland was born on a farm in Portage township, Kalamazoo county, Michigan, January 11, 1888. He was the son of Frederick and Anna Wolfe Sutherland. He had one brother, Louis Wolfe Sutherland, who is the father of Betty, who married William Race and resides in Kalamazoo, and of Louis Wolfe, Jr., of Kalamazoo. He also had one sister, Marion, who married Orville Floyd Miller, is the mother of Frederick Sutherland and John Sutherland Miller and resides in Kalamazoo.

When Fred was two years old his father died. His mother, with her two sons and one daughter, moved into Kalamazoo, where the family resided with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Wolfe, at the corner of John and Vine streets.

At the age of eight, Fred was selling papers on the streets of Kalamazoo. During his school years he always had a paper route; in fact, when attending high school he delivered the morning Chicago papers as well as the Kalamazoo Gazette and the Evening Telegraph. In order to get the Chicago Tribune he

FREDERICK POLLY SUTHERLAND
1880 - 1939

Frederick Polly Sutherland was born on 1 July in Perkins Township, Lawrence County, Illinois, Sunday 11, 1880. He was the son of Frederick and Anna Polly Sutherland. He had one brother, Louis Polly Sutherland, who is the father of Daryl, who serving Illinois home and resides in Lawrence, and of Louis Monte, Jr., of Kingston. He also had one sister, Marion, who married Virgil Floyd Miller, is the mother of Frederick Sutherland and Jean Sutherland Miller and resides in Kingston.

When Fred was six years old his father died. His mother, with her two sons and her daughter, moved into Lawrence, where the family resided with her grandmother, Mr. and Mrs. James Polly, in the center of town and the street.

At the age of eight, Fred was selling papers on the streets of Lawrence. During his spared time he always had a paper route; in fact, when attending high school he delivered the morning Chicago papers on his way to the Lawrence Herald and the Evening Lawrence. In order to get the Chicago Tribune on

would meet the train at two or three o'clock in the morning. He also shovelled walks and Frank Milham was one of those whose walks he cleaned.

He was graduated from the high school at eighteen years of age and immediately secured a position in the office of the Bryant Paper Company, under the supervision of Mr. Frank Milham and received six dollars a week as office boy. He soon had the confidence of Mr. Milham and won several promotions, finally filling the position of General Purchasing Agent. The company at that time was the largest industrial unit in Kalamazoo.

Fred was a fellow who balanced his budget. By nature he was thrifty. While helping to support his mother, he was still able to lay aside some of his wages, so that he was able to invest his savings with his brother in the Kalamazoo Label Company.

When this company was sold, he invested equally with his brother in a new corporation which they started in April, 1917, called the Kalamazoo Sanitary Carton Company. This company immediately prospered, and he resigned his position with the Bryant Paper Company in 1918, to become Secretary-Treasurer of the Kalamazoo Sanitary Carton Company. The corporate title of this company was later

would work one week in two or three weeks in the months. To date, no skilled help and from those who one of those cases which be obtained.

Mr. was graduated from the high school in Kansas City, Missouri, in 19[illegible] received a position there at 18[illegible] and immediately received a position in the office of the Kansas City Power Company, under the supervision of Mr. [illegible] who is [illegible] at his office a desk in office [illegible]. He was and the [illegible] of Mr. Miller and was several promotions, finally filling the position of General Purchasing Agent. The company at that time was the largest industrial unit in Kansas City.

Five years [illegible] Mr. [illegible] the right. He [illegible] on his ability. While [illegible] to support his mother, on his small pay he [illegible] some of his money, so that he was able to [illegible] the savings with the income in the Kansas City Company.

Some time thereafter he was, by [illegible] equality with his brother in a new corporation which had started in Kansas, 1921, called the Kansas City [illegible] Company. This company immediately prospered, and he continued his position with the Kansas City Company in 1918 as General Purchasing Agent of the Kansas City Power Company. The activity with of this company was later

changed to the Sutherland Paper Company.

His paper manufacturing experience with the Bryant Paper Company enabled him to install and direct the paper manufacturing part of the Sutherland Paper Company with rare good judgment, and the success of this company has been due in large measure to his business ability.

He also found his experience as purchasing agent at the Bryant invaluable in directing the purchasing department of the Sutherland Paper Company.

June 12, 1915, he was married to Bessie S. Wheelock of Kalamazoo. They were the parents of Frances Wheelock, who married William Adams Kirkpatrick and resides in Kalamazoo, and Judith Ann.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Sutherland began housekeeping on the northwest corner of Vine and Rose streets. Their next residence was at the corner of Vine and Park streets. Then they bought the old Bryant home, 708 South Park street, where they lived for seven years and then sold it and purchased the Luther Parker home at 1416 Academy street. On December 13, 1935, trucks carrying the household effects of Mr. and Mrs. Sutherland met trucks carrying furniture from the former home of Attorney C. L. Dibble. They had exchanged residences and each was en

route to the new location and 1532 Long Road was henceforth the home address for F. W. Sutherland and family. This exchange of residences was made the occasion for a humorous article in the Kalamazoo Gazette by Penn E. Wise.

Mr. Sutherland was at various times a director and officer of the Chamber of Commerce, a bank director, and a board member of important industries in Kalamazoo.

His recreation was fishing and golf; and he was an active member of the First Congregational Church.

He died August 10, 1939, and at the time of his death he was Executive Vice President of the Sutherland Paper Company, having participated in the management of this company for twenty years, in helping to develop it to become one of Kalamazoo's largest industries.

It can well be said that he met his responsibilities with courage and with fairness to all with whom he came in contact. Kalamazoo is a better community because Frederick Wolfe Sutherland lived in it.

The funeral was held in the First Congregational Church and burial was in Riverside cemetery.

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Bamberger's the same address for 1. T. Underwood and
family. This exhibitor of relationship was made the
occasion for a generous article in the enterprise
written by Leon E. Rose.

Mr. Underwood was at various times a director
and officer of the Chamber of Commerce, a Rotarian,
activist, and a social activist of Jacksonville industries
in Alabama.

In recreation was fishing and golf; and he
was an active member of the First Congregational
Church.

In that month 1d, 1927, and at the time of his
death he was Commander Pine Treasurer of the
Independent Paper Company, having participated in the
development of this company for twenty years. In
retiring he declared it to become one of Jacksonville's
largest industries.

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Carl Olaf Swanson

C A R L O L A F S W A N S O N

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Carl Olaf Swanson was born in Kalamazoo, Michigan, August 16, 1917, the son of Carl W. Swanson, who was born in Sweden and came to the United States in 1910.

April 10, 1915, Carl W. Swanson was married by the Reverend U. L. Montgomery to Matilda Nyseter, who was born in Norway and came to this country in 1911 and made her home for a time in North Dakota.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Swanson began housekeeping in Kalamazoo, Michigan, on Egleston avenue, where they resided for five or six years and then moved to 841 Reed street, where they reside at the time of this writing in 1944. He is employed with the Allied Paper Mills as a paper maker. They also became the parents of a daughter, Thelma, who married Joseph Brundage and became the mother of Susan, who was born July 16, 1940, and Nancy, born [illegible], and resides in Albany, New York.

When Carl Olaf Swanson was ten years of age he made such a record playing golf that the Kalamazoo Gazette printed his picture and the story of his

CARL OLAF SWANSON
1917 - 1944

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Carl Olaf Swanson was born in Gainesville, Florida, August 16, 1917, the son of Carl E. Swanson, who was born in Sweden and came to the United States in 1910.

April 10, 1918, Carl E. Swanson was married by the Reverend C. L. Snodgrass to Cecilia Sparks, who was born in Sorrel and came to this country in 1911 and made her home for a time in North Dakota.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl E. Swanson began housekeeping in Gainesville, Florida, on Fifteenth Avenue, where Carl resided for five or six years and then moved to Mill Creek street, where they remain at the time of this writing in 1944. He is employed with the Atlantic Coast Line as a freight checker. They also become the parents of a daughter, Thelma, who married Joseph Sewelage and became the mother of Susan, who was born July 16, 1940, and Nancy, born March 4, 1942, and resides in Atlanta, Ga. and Carl.

When Carl Olaf Swanson was ten years of age he made quite a record playing Jill Ann and Tallahatchie Cassette printed his picture and the story of his

achievements:

"CARL SWANSON, 6TH GRADE GOLF ENTHUSIAST, MAY BECOME STAR

Municipal Player, Hardly as Big as His Clubs, Already Can Break 50 At Age of Ten Years.

"Carl Swanson, Jr., 841 Reed street has been ten years old less than a month, yet he promises to become one of the city's best golf players if he continues to be an enthusiast in the sport.

"When the Gazette printed a quartet of pictures of local youngster stars last Sunday, it prompted local pros and fans to hunt for other boys of unusual ability, and the"find' was Carl, a 6-B student at Washington Junior High School. Carl is hardly as big as some of his clubs and many who pound the pellets around Municipal links have thought the boy was just batting the ball about in 'kid fashion' while accompanying Carl Senior around the course. But such is not the case and he is never more serious than when going about the business of seeking pars. And the treacherous sixth score trouble to nine of ten players in the past weeks when hard baked fair-ways held the upper hand, holds no particular fear for him.

"Carl does not play the course in par, naturally, but if another youngster his size can do as well, he has not been heard from. The long ninth, which will be par five next year, is quite often made in a quite acceptable five by young Swanson and he is accurate in direction though long distances quite naturally are not yet within his power.

"Carl's recent 48 was made as follows:

Par . . .	534	434	444	-	35
Carl . .	745	545	756	-	48

Carl attended Washington Junior High School and

achievement.

"CARL SNAVELY, NEW YORK GOLF SENSATION, HAS BECOME STAR

Municipal Player, Surely As Big As His Game, Already Has Break Off In Age Of Ten Years.

"Carl Snavely, Jr., 'Al' head caddy has been ten years old less than a month, yet he promises to become one of the city's best golf players if he continues to be as enthusiastic in the sport.

"When the Bluville printed a column of pictures of local prominent elders last Sunday, it brought local press and fans to have for other type of unusual ability, and the first was Carl, a 5-2 student at Washington Junior High School. Carl is barely as big as some of his clubs and carry the pound its pulling around Municipal links here through the day and just getting the ball about it. 'Al' Freeman, while accompanying Carl junior around the course. But such is not the case and he is never more serious than when going about the business of wielding pars. And the tremendous strain score records to nine of ten players in the past week when Carl hung three-one hold the upper hand, being on particular fear for 'Al'.

"Carl does not play the game in jest, naturally, but if another youngster his size can do as well, he has not been heard from. The long drive, which all is per five out. Carl is quite often made in a quite accomplishing five by young Swanson and he is accurate in direct a bunch long distance quite naturally as not yet attain his power.

"Carl's record AS was made as follows:

Par . . .	104	104	101	- 33
Carl . .	101	110	102	- 35

Carl attended Washington Junior High School and

was president of the Student Council when he was graduated June 9, 1931. He was graduated from Central High School June 20, 1935.

He received certificates of honor signed by D. J. Heathcote June 10, 1931, January 20, 1932 and June 8, 1932,

"For high scholarship, distinguished service faithfully performed and superior standards of character. Done in accord with act of Student Teacher Council."

Carl also received the following awards:

"Kalamazoo Junior High School Athletic Association
Hereby awards to Carl Swanson

TRACK

For year 1929 and 1930.

D. J. Heathcote A. W. Behnke

E. H. Drake A. E. Stoddard

BASE BALL

1930 - 1931

Soccer, Basket Ball, Baseball and Track

1931 - 1932

Carl spent 1936 and 1937 in Western Michigan College of Education and majored in engineering, after which he was employed in the testing department of the Allied Paper Mills until he enlisted in

The President of the Student Council when he was graduated June 4, 1931. He was graduated from Central High School June 20, 1932.

He received certificates of honor signed by D. J. Hawthorne June 10, 1931, January 20, 1932 and June 5, 1932.

"For his scholarship, distinguished service institutionally performed and superior standards of character. Done in accord with act of Student Teacher Council."

Carl also received the following awards:

"Valedictorian Junior High School activity award - Highly awards in Carl Swanson

TRACK

for year 1929 and 1930.

D. J. Hawthorne A. E. Cannon

E. G. Irwin A. E. Swoboda

CROSS-COUNTRY

1930 - 1932

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1931 - 1932

Carl spent 1932 and 1933 in Western Michigan College of Education and majored in engineering. After which he was employed in the testing department of the Allied Paper Mills until he enlisted in

the Armed Services of the United States in February 1941.

Among the documents cherished by Carl's parents are the following which have been copied for this collection:

THE

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

To all who shall see these presents, Greeting: Know Ye, That reposing special Trust and Confidence in the Patriotism, Valor, Fidelity and abilities of

CARL OLAF SWANSON

I do appoint him

AN ENSIGN

in the Naval Reserve of the United States Navy to rank from the 23rd day of July, 1942.

He is therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the duties of such office by doing and performing all manner of things thereunto belonging.

And I do strictly charge and require all Officers Seamen and Marines under his command to be obedient to his orders. And he is to observe and follow such orders and directions from time to time as he shall receive from me or the future President of the United States of America or his Superior Officer set over him according to the Rules and Discipline of the Navy.

the Armed Services of the United States to temporary duty.

Among the documents obtained by Cecil's parents are the following which have been copied for this collection:

THE

PROCLAMATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

To all who shall see these presents, Greeting: Know ye, that reposing special trust and confidence in the patriotism, valor, fidelity and abilities of

DANA CLAY STANCE

I do appoint him

AN ENSIGN

in the Naval Reserve of the United States Navy to rank from the tenth day of July, 1942.

He is therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the duties of such office by doing and performing all manner of things thereunto belonging.

And I do strictly charge and require all officers, seamen and marines under his command to be obedient to his orders. And he is to observe and follow such orders and directions from time to time as he shall receive from me or the future Presidents of the United States of America or his superior officer and over him according to the rules and discipline of the Navy.

This Commission to continue in force during the pleasure of the President of the United States of America for the time being.

Done at the City of Washington this 30th day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-two and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and sixty-seventh.

By the President

Frank Knox, Secretary of
the Navy.

After Lieutenant Carl Olaf Swanson had been less than one month in combat action in the Italian theatre of war his parents received the following letter:

Bombing Squadron 132
c/o Fleet P. O.,
New York, N. Y.,
Jan. 12, 1944.

Mr. Carl Swanson,
841 Reed St.,
Kalamazoo, Mich.

Dear Mr. Swanson,-

It is with sincere regret that I learned of the death of your son Carl in the crash of an airplane belonging to this squadron on January 10th.

While there were no witnesses who actually saw the accident which occurred about 31 miles from the coast, there were persons who saw an explosion when the plane hit the water. Boats and other planes were at the scene of the crash within twenty minutes and salvaged certain wreckage which definitely identified the plane. Unfortunately no bodies were recovered. The plane was engaged in a

This declaration to continue in force during the pleasure of the President of the United States of America for the time being.

Done at the City of Washington this 30th day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-two and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and sixty-seventh.

By the President:

FRANK BOND, Secretary of the Navy.

After lieutenant Carl Olaf Swanson had been less than one month in combat action in the Italian theatre of war his parents received the following letter:

Headquarters USAF
c/o Fleet P. O.,
New York, N. Y.,
Jan. 12, 1944.

Mr. Carl Swanson,
241 Pond St.,
Salesburg, Ariz.

Dear Mr. Swanson,-

It is with sincere regret that I learned of the death of your son Carl in the crash of an airplane belonging to this squadron in January 1944.

Until there were no witnesses who actually saw the accident which occurred about 50 miles from the coast, there were persons who saw an explosion when the plane hit the water. Boats and other planes were at the scene of the crash within twenty minutes and salvaged certain wreckage which definitely identified the plane. Unfortunately no bodies were recovered. The plane was engaged in a

routine bombing exercise at the time of the accident. The status of your son has been reported to the Bureau of Naval Personnel as killed (no enemy action).

The loss of Carl will be deeply felt by the entire squadron. His work was of exceptional caliber and his cheerful personality added a great deal to our morale. We are holding memorial services for Carl and the other members of his plane crew tomorrow.

May I extend my sympathy and the sympathy of every member of the squadron to you in this misfortune. If I can be of any aid, do not hesitate to communicate with me.

Sincerely yours,

Carl R. Doerflinger,
Lt. Commander U. S. Navy,
Commanding Officer Bomber
Squadron 132

Later the following letter was received:

The Secretary of the Navy,
Washington,
3 February, 1944

Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Swanson,
841 Reed Street,
Kalamazoo, Michigan.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Swanson,-

It was with deep regret that I learned of the death of your son, Lieutenant (junior grade) Carl Olaf Swanson, U. S. Naval Reserve, which occurred on the 10th of January, 1944, as a result of a plane crash in the Mediterranean area.

My sincere sympathy is expressed to you in your sorrow, and I trust that you may be comforted by the thought that he died at his station of duty.

The Navy shares in your sense of bereavement and will miss the services of a valued officer.

Sincerely yours,

Frank Knox

[illegible] operations at the site of the accident. The [illegible] of your son has been reported to the Bureau of Naval Personnel as killed (in enemy action).

The loss of Bert will be deeply felt by the entire squadron. His work was of exceptional quality and his cheerful personality added a great deal to our morale. We are holding personal effects for Bert and the other members of his plane crew together.

May I extend my sincerely sad the sympathy of every member of the squadron to you in this bereavement. If I can be of any aid, do not hesitate to communicate with me.

Sincerely yours,

Bert R. Boertlinger,
Lt. Commander U. S. Navy,
Commanding Officer Dawn
Squadron 128

Later the following letter was received:

The Secretary of the Navy,
Washington,
6 February, 1944

Mr. and Mrs. Bert T. Swanson,
641 Pearl Street,
Kalamazoo, Michigan.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Swanson:

It was with deep regret that I learned of the death of your son, Lieutenant (junior grade) Bert Dean Swanson, U. S. Naval Reserve, which occurred on the 10th of January, 1944, as a result of a plane crash in the Mediterranean area.

My sincere sympathy is expressed to you in your sorrow, and I trust that you may be comforted by the thought that he died in the service of duty.

The Navy honors in your sense of bereavement and will take the services of a valued officer.

Sincerely yours,

Frank Knox

Personal Appearance

Lieutenant Carl Olaf Swanson was five feet seven inches tall and weighed about one hundred thirty-eight pounds with light brown hair and blue eyes.

He enjoyed sports including hunting, fishing and base ball. He was fond of music and played the violin. He was of a sunny, happy disposition and belonged to the First Presbyterian Church in Kalamazoo and attended the Sunday school.

The name of another of Kalamazoo's splendid young men is added to the list of those who gave their lives that others might continue to enjoy the rights and liberties guaranteed by the constitution of the United States of America. Reverently we bow our heads and thank God for these young men.

Personal Appearance

Lieutenant Carl Olaf Swanson was fifty feet seven inches tall and weighed about one hundred thirty-eight pounds with light brown hair and blue eyes.

He enjoyed sports including boating, fishing and game hall. He was fond of music and played the violin. He was of a sunny, happy disposition and belonged to the First Presbyterian Church in Kalamazoo and attended the Sunday school.

The name of another of Kalamazoo's epileptic young men is added to the list of those who are likely live that others with conditions in spite the terrors and literature perpetuated by the constitution of the United States of America. Certainly as bad our beats and shows dog for lazed young man.

Charles Robert Taylor

C H A R L E S R O B E R T T A Y L O R

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Second Lieutenant Charles Robert Taylor was born in Highland Park, Illinois, September 16, 1922, son of Walter Taylor of English ancestry and his wife, Abbie Rozenzahl Taylor, who was born in Holland, Michigan, and whose ancestors were from The Netherlands.

Charles had a brother Wallace, who served with the ground forces of the Air Corps for three and one-half years in the China-Burma-India Theatre and other fields during World War II and at this time in 1946 is attending Western Michigan College of Education. A sister, Lois Jean, is also a student in Western Michigan College of Education, where she has attended for three years and has one year more to complete her course.

For sixteen years the family resided at Gull Lake and Charles attended the Kellogg Agricultural School, from which he was graduated in 1938. He then went to Michigan State College for one and one-half years and then transferred to Western Michigan College of Education, where he was within

one semester's work of finishing for his degree when he enlisted in the Army Air Corps February 15, 1942, and arrived in Miami Beach, Florida, February 26, 1942, for basic training as a cadet.

On April 3, 1943, he had been transferred to Salisbury, North Carolina, and attended Catawba College for schooling as an air crew student. May 4, 1943, he was sent to Nashville, Tennessee, to the Air Force classification center and was classified as a pilot. July 3, 1943, he was transferred to Maxwell Field, Alabama, a pre-flight school for pilots. August 31, 1943, he was sent to Dorr Field, Arcadia, Florida, to a Primary Flying school. January 8, 1944, he went to Columbus, Mississippi, Air Field, where he attended advanced Flying School, and was graduated March 12, 1944, in Class 1944C, but illness prevented his receiving his wings until April 12, 1944. During his illness he was confined to the hospital for a week and was then granted a fifteen day furlough at home.

Upon returning to his base in April, he was transferred to Tyndall Field, Florida, where he trained for a co-pilot on a B-17.

July 3, 1944, he was sent to Plant Park, Florida, replacement center and assigned to his

the necessarily work of instructor for the course when he assisted in the long air force exercises of 1941, and arrived at Miami Beach, Florida, February 1, 1942, for basic training as a cadet.

On April 7, 1942, he was transferred to Maxwell Field, North Carolina, and attended Jackson College for preflight as an air corps student. May 1, 1942, he was sent to Randolph Field, Texas, in the Air Force classification center for his classification as a pilot. July 2, 1942, he was transferred to Lowry Field, Colorado, a pre-flight center for pilots. August 31, 1942, he was sent to Bryan Field, Bryan, Texas, to a primary flying school. January 2, 1943, he went to Lubbock, Mississippi, for flight, where he finished primary flying school, and was graduated March 27, 1943, in class 43-C. His flying proficiency was rated above average. He flew until April 21, 1943. During his flying he was confined to his quarters for a week and was then grounded a fifteen day period on duty.

Upon completion of his course in April, he was transferred to Foster Field, Florida, where he trained for a co-pilot or a navigator.

July 2, 1943, he was sent to Fort Myers, Florida, replacement center and assigned to the

regular crew on a B-17. At this time his training was completed and he was sent to Savannah, Georgia, and later to his embarkation point in New York, and by boat to England in November 1944. Upon reaching his destination there November 18, 1944, he wired home of his safe and uneventful arrival.

He went on many missions from England over Europe with the 95th Bomber Group of the 335th Bomber Squadron, stationed at Horham, Suffolk, England. A telegram was received February 7, 1945, that he was killed in action in France January 28, 1945. He was awarded the Air Medal.

Personal Characteristics

Charles was six feet one inch tall, medium in build, and had light brown hair and blue eyes.

He played on the Kellogg basket-ball team and won numerous letters. He also played baseball with the team and played tennis on the court at his home.

He had studied the piano and played that instrument very acceptably. He liked to read, dance and swim and was a regular attendant at the school games.

During his senior year of high school he was president of his class and served as a member of the Student Council. He also took part in

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Personal Information

Harris was six feet one inch tall, weighs 16 stone, and had light brown hair and blue eyes.

He spoke on the military newsletter Iron and his numerous letters. He also played baseball with the team and played tennis on the school in his home.

He had studied the piano and violin that instrument very extensively. He also is read, dance and sing and was a regular attendant at the church twice.

During his earlier year of life school he was politicians of his class and served in a member of the Student Council. He also took part in

numerous plays and in his senior year he played the leading role.

At Western Michigan College of Education he was taking the course in Business Administration and planned to make that his life's career.

He was full of fun, wholesome and optimistic in his outlook on life, was of a cheerful nature and had a pleasing personality. He was a serious minded boy and was interested in good things.

He attended the Methodist Sunday School and Church at Hickory Corners and enjoyed the companionship he found there.

Charles had many friends and showed himself to be friendly. His GOLD STAR is added to the ROLL OF HONOR.

Harry Taylor

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Harry Humbert Taylor was born in London, England, July 22, 1873, one of a family of five sons and two daughters of Henry Taylor.

Harry Taylor attended college in England and in 1889 his father, who was a salesman for a book company, gave Harry and his younger brother Reginald Herbert each a money belt filled with gold pieces and they migrated to Canada.

Later Harry came to Grand Rapids, Michigan, where he worked on a farm and attended school for six months. He worked on various farms for a time and then studied telephone engineering by correspondence winters and spent the summers fishing for pearls in the Kalamazoo, Grand and St. Joseph rivers.

Mrs. Taylor has rings which were made from the gold which Mr. Taylor mined in Alaska and set with pearls which he secured from the clam shells which he took from the river beds. In his trip to Alaska in the 1890s, Mr. Taylor was accompanied by his younger brother. They hunted moose and killed four and a bear ran away with his rubber boots.

HARRY HUNSBERGER TAYLOR

1872 - 1941

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Harry Hunsberger Taylor was born in London, Ontario, July 25, 1872, one of a family of five sons and two daughters of Henry Taylor.

Harry Taylor attended college in England and to join his father, who was a salesman for a book company, came Harry and his younger brother Reginald Hunsberger with a money belt filled with gold guineas and they migrated to Canada.

Later Harry came to Grand Rapids, Michigan, where he worked on a farm and attended school for six months. He worked on various farms for a time and then studied telegraphy and operating of carrier-pigeons stations and spent the summers training for people in the Kalamazoo, Grand and St. Joseph rivers.

Mrs. Taylor has vivid memories of the trips made from the yacht which Mr. Taylor piloted in Canada and set girl parts which he secured from the clam shells which he took from the river beds. In his trip to Alaska in the 1890s, Mr. Taylor was accompanied by his younger brother. They hunted moose and killed four and a bear ran away with his rubber boots.

December 6, 1902, Mr. Taylor was married to Myrtle Loretta Piper, who was born on a farm not far from Mason, Michigan, September 6, 1879, daughter of William and Sarah Frances Bickford Piper of English and Scotch descent and attended school in Ovid, Michigan.

They began housekeeping in Marshall, Michigan, where Mr. Taylor became manager of the Citizens Telephone Company in 1904 and held the position until 1910, when he was transferred to Battle Creek and was given the same position, which he held until 1916, when he became for one year special representative of the Michigan Bell Telephone Company. He then purchased the property at Bayview on Gull Lake where he lived until his death; he loved Gull Lake better than any place in the world.

Mr. Taylor belonged to the Gull Lake Association, the Masons, the Knights of Pythias, the Knights Templar, the Rod and Gun Club and the Izaak Walton League.

All his life he was a fisherman. Each fall he and Mrs. Taylor went to Northern Michigan to fish at Tippy Dam at Wellston and Mr. Taylor went often in the spring to fish for trout there. He also went in November for many years to hunt deer.

December 6, 1908, Mr. Taylor was married to Myrtle Lorenia Piper, who was born on a farm not far from Mason, Michigan, September 6, 1879, daughter of William and Sarah Frances Blanford Piper of English and Scotch descent and attended school in Owia, Michigan.

They began housekeeping in Macomb, Michigan, where Mr. Taylor became manager of the Citizens Telephone Company in 1904 and held the position until 1910, when he was transferred to Battle Creek and was given his same position, which he held until 1916, when he became for one year special representative of the Michigan Bell Telephone Company. He then purchased the property at Surprise on Mill Lake where he lived until his death. He lived Mill Lake longer than any place in the world.

Mr. Taylor belonged to the Mill Lake Association, the Knights of Pythias, the Knights Templar, the Red and Tan Club and the Lake Mills Lodge.

In his life he was a fisherman. Each fall he and Mrs. Taylor went to Northern Michigan to fish at Tippy Dam at Baldwin and Mr. Taylor was often in the spring to fish for trout there. He also went in November for many years to hunt deer.

Mr. Taylor began fishing almost as soon as he began to walk and had his first experiences in angling in England and has written articles for publication in a Battle Creek paper about fishing in England. In 1893 he made a visit to England and doubtless renewed his experience in this his favorite sport. Several winters he spent his time in Florida, where he engaged in fishing for shark with hook and line and caught about twenty-five ranging in size from four feet in length to seven feet nine inches.

His dream was to make Gull Lake the foremost fishing spot in Michigan. By corresponding with the conservation department of the state of Michigan he secured the planting of 548 mature wall-eyed pike in Gull Lake. These fish were secured by two nights' netting at the Newaygo dam on the Muskegon river and were brought to Gull Lake in tank cars. He engineered the sinking of seventeen brush piles, heavily weighted, measuring 30 by ten by 5 feet and bound with wire, in strategic points in the lake, to provide cover for the fish and breeding places for the smaller life which serve as food for the fish.

His store at Bayview was headquarters for

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His stock of carpies are headquarters for

fishermen. For a number of years he gave three prizes for the best catches.

Mr. Taylor was confirmed in the Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church in Marshall, Michigan, and his membership and that of Mrs. Taylor was transferred to the St. Thomas Protestant Episcopal Church in Battle Creek.

Death came to Mr. Taylor on the anniversary of his birth, July 22, 1941.

He made many friends and the esteem in which he was held is well expressed in a letter from Dr. George Emerson Barnes, a Presbyterian pastor from Philadelphia who spent his summers at Gull Lake. The following is a copy of a part of the letter:

> "When a person of the distinction and usefulness of Harry Taylor passes away, we are all saddened by the loss, and Mrs. Barnes and I want you to know our deep sympathy.
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> "A time like this brings a person's life into clearer perspective and I feel that I want also to express my sincere appreciation of his life and service and extend congratulations upon the noble heritage which he has bequeathed in splendid service and beautiful memory.
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> "Whatever Harry undertook he did well. He really excelled in it. He was not merely a good fisherman; he was the best fisherman. He was not content to handle ordinary or mediocre goods; he always handled the best. That is a great quality in a man and has been the means of making his name widely known and his character greatly appreciated."

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Rev. Daniel James Taylor

D A N I E L J A M E S T A Y L O R

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Daniel James Taylor was born in Otsego, Michigan, November 2, 1874, son of Ellen Isham and George W. Taylor of Scotch Irish descent. He attended the Otsego school after which he went west and saw much of the country.

One of the most outstanding experiences of his life was his conversion to Christ. He had had enough of the kind of a life he had been living and became a devout Christian. He soon began preaching wherever he had an opportunity and served as an evangelist and as pastor. He held meetings in Richland, Augusta, Sharon Pennsylvania, and other places. He served as pastor at Bradley and supplied churches round about Kalamazoo. He was ordained in the Methodist Protestant denomination August 30, 1925.

His brothers and sister were: Orrin, of Kalamazoo; Jesse, of Otsego; and Anna, of Otsego.

October 3, 1904, Daniel James Taylor married Nina Menck of Kalamazoo and they were the parents of: George Daniel, born June 9, 1910, who began preaching at the age of thirteen and is auditor at the Suther-

land Paper Company, married Blanche Vander Veen of Kalamazoo; Ellen Ruth, born January 29, 1912, married Elmer Drummond, resides in Kalamazoo; Daniel Junior, born March 31, 1923; Betty Arlene, born July 25, 1926.

Reverend Daniel J. Taylor was a very devoted minister and gave generously of his time and strength and expected and received little money for his services.

Death came to him July 5, 1937. The funeral was conducted by the Reverend William Hartman and burial was in Riverside cemetery.

Mr. Taylor wrote his experience in ryme and had it printed and distributed as an inspiration to others. The following is a copy:

"MY EXPERIENCE"

"I started out when very young
A sinful life to live,
And the best of all my talent
To Satan I did give.

Lying, drinking, gambling,
And going to the dance;
Well, of all that Satan offered
I gladly took a chance.

My dear old father told me
That some day I would see,
If I continued in that way,
It would get the best of me.

But I kept it up for fifteen years
At a very rapid pace,
Until I found upon my friends
I was bringing much disgrace.

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[illegible] Daniel C. Taylor was a very [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] of his [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

"One night I left a game of cards
In a North Rose street saloon,
To look for pleasure somewhere else,
And found it very soon.

I went into a meeting
That night to spend an hour,
It was there my soul was captured
By the Holy Spirit's power.

I heard the testimonies
And the reading of God's word
And it seemed to me the singing
Was the sweetest ever heard.

And when I heard the message
I thought it all for me.
They told me how the Savior died
To set the sinner free.

I knew I was a sinner
And had an aching heart.
So I promised God I'd trust Him
And that night I made a start.

On March 1st, nineteen hundred four,
At half past nine at night,
I bade farewell to Satan
And then with God 'got right."

I accepted Jesus in my life
And gave up all my sin.
He cleansed my heart from every stain;
Now His Spirit dwells within.

And since He came into my life
And all my prayers has heard,
I've learned to trust Him and to
Feed my soul upon His word.

Just one word in conclusion
To you my sinner friend,
Don't think it a delusion
For Jesus is your friend.

And do not feel discouraged
And think you are too mean,
But open up your Bible
And read John 3:16.

"That promise is to all the world
  Salvation is for you,
And if you are a moral man,
  'Whosoever' means you too.

The Savior, He can save you
  And keep you from all sin,
Just open now to Him your heart -
  While He's knocking, let Him in."

DANIEL TAYLOR

313 Kook Avenue Kalamazoo

Written August 19, 1937

James Telfer

J A M E S T E L F E R

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James Telfer was born in Richland Township, Kalamazoo County, Michigan, August 10, 1858, son of Elizabeth Redpath and George Telfer of Scotch descent. He was reared on the farm and attended the Seminary at Richland. At the age of fifteen he moved to the farm south of Richland where he died. He had two brothers, Robert and John, and two sisters, Mrs. Edward DeWolf and Christina Telfer, all of whom preceded him in death.

Mr. Telfer was elected supervisor of Richland Township for seven consecutive terms, from 1924 to 1931, on the Republican ticket. He was considered one of the ablest members of the board of supervisors and served on some of the most important committees, including equalization, apportionment, and county poor committees. He was also a trustee of Fairmount Hospital. In April 1931, he was elected chairman of the board of supervisors.

Mr. Telfer had been a member of the Farmers Mutual Insurance Company for many years, in fact ever since he had been a property owner.

Mr. Telfer was a life-long member of the First Presbyterian Church in Richland and was a past master of the Richland Masonic lodge. He was also a member of the Peninsular Commandery of Kalamazoo and of the Consistory.

He married Alice L. Clevenger December 16, 1895. She was the daughter of Laura Jane Peterson, who was born in Indiana and came with her parents to Michigan, and William S. Clevenger. Mr. and Mrs. Telfer have an adopted son, Donald Duane, born April 13, 1901, married Celia Moore of California.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Telfer reside on the farm where James Telfer died. They are the parents of three children: James Duane, born December 23, 1926; Alice Louise, born May 29, 1931 and Linda Mae, born October 15, 1936.

James Telfer died December 14, 1931. The funeral was conducted by the Reverend E. V. Belles, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Richland, and burial was in the Richland cemetery.

Written im May 1937.

Mr. Fisher was a life-long member of the Fifth Presbyterian Church [illegible] and was a [illegible] member of the Presbyterian Church [illegible]. He was also a member of the Knoxville Academy of Medicine and of the Democratic Party.

On August [illegible], [illegible] married [illegible], daughter of Charles Jane Thornton, who was born in Jackson and came with her parents to Knoxville, and [illegible] T. Fisher. Mr. and Mrs. Fisher have [illegible] Jane Thornton Fisher, born April [illegible], [illegible], and [illegible] Fisher, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Fisher [illegible] in their home [illegible] Fisher Road. [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] Knoxville [illegible], [illegible] T. Fisher [illegible], [illegible] Mr. [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] Mrs. [illegible].

Mrs. Fisher died December [illegible], [illegible]. The funeral was conducted by the Rev. [illegible] T. [illegible], pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Knoxville, and burial was in the [illegible] cemetery.

Written in May [illegible].

Jacob Temple

J A C O B J O H N T E M P L E

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Jacob John Temple was born on Parsons street near the Bethel Baptist Church, Kalamazoo, Michigan, October 18, 1872, son of Jacob John, Sr., and Margaret Winters Temple, the father being born in Holland and the mother in Germany. There were two boys in the family, a brother ten years older being deceased.

Jacob John Temple attended school in Kalamazoo and at the age of fourteen began work in sheet metal. At the age of nineteen he went to Grand Rapids, Michigan, for two years and while there met and married November 18, 1893, Ada Johnson, who was born in Syracuse, New York, May 22, 1872, daughter of William and Mary Ann Turner Johnson of English descent. They began housekeeping in Grand Rapids and after a few months moved in 1894 to a house on North Park street in Kalamazoo, where they resided for three years; they then secured a residence on River road and resided there for three years; they then secured a residence at 1015 Lake street where they lived for twenty years and then built their home at

145 South Prairie Avenue and moved in some time in November, 1922.

Mr. and Mrs. Temple became the parents of:

Irene, born September 8, 1894, died March 22, 1897;

Walter John, born November 26, 1895, married Helen Miller and became the father of Jean and Lenore, resides at 1215 Reed street, Kalamazoo; Jean married Frank Harlow and became the mother of Linda Lou;

Harold, born October 16, 1897, died May 20, 1900:

Robert, born May 10, 1900, resides with his mother;

Mildred Ellen, born February 13, 1903, married George C. Dates and resides in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

When Mr. and Mrs. Temple came to Kalamazoo to live in 1894, he worked for a number of years for the Upjohn Company. In 1907 he founded the Kalamazoo Sheet Metal Manufacturing Company with two other partners and continued as manager of this company for more than twenty years until he retired and was still a director of the company at the time of his death.

In 1930, Mr Temple came out of retirement to establish the J. A. Temple Company to the management of which his sons succeeded.

He was a member of the Masonic lodge No. 22 and

Elks lodge No. 50, and was active in the organization of the Maple Hills Golf Course. He attended the Bethel Baptist Church in his youth.

On May 21, 1938, Mr. Temple became ill and was in poor health for four years, nearly. For one year he was in Pine Rest Sanitarium, Grand Rapids, Michigan, where he was released by death caused by a cerebral hemorrhage February 16, 1942.

The funeral was conducted by the Reverend T. T. Wylie, D. D., and burial was in Riverside cemetery. The foregoing was written in 1942.

John Jacob Temple

Margaret McPherson Temple

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J O H N J A C O B T E M P L E

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John Jacob Temple was born in the Netherlands October 8, 1862, the older son of Jacob John and Margaret Winters Temple, the father being born in the Netherlands. The mother was born in Germany April 10, 1832. The younger son of this couple was Jacob A. Temple.

In 1868, the family migrated from the Netherlands to Kalamazoo, Michigan, where they made their home on Parsons street and the boys attended the Frank Street School. Later they moved to a location beyond Riverside cemetery across from what was known as "William's Mill,"where the boys grew to manhood.

On May 16, 1883, John Jacob Temple was married to Miss Margaret Louise McPherson, who was born at Mt. Forest, Ontario, July 25, 1861. She was the daughter of William McPherson, who was born near Perth, Ontario, July 6, 1831, of Scotch-Canadian ancestry, and Anne Douglas McPherson, born in Ireland in June, 1828. She came to the vicinity

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JOHN DAVID TEMPLE

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John David Temple was born in the Netherlands December 6, 1872, the elder son of David John and Margaret Mulvena Temple, who former being born in the Netherlands. The mother was born in Toronto April 16, 1872. The younger son of this couple was David A. Temple.

In 1892, the family migrated from the Netherlands to Kalamazoo, Michigan, where they said their home on Parsons street and the boys attended the Frank Street school. Later they moved to a location beyond Riverside cemetery across from what was known as "Milling's Mill," where the boys grew up and grew.

On May 16, 1907, John David Temple was married to Miss Margaret Louise Greenwood, who was born at St. Thomas, Ontario, July 20, 1883. She was the daughter of William Greenwood, who was born near Perth, Ontario, July 6, 1833, of Scotch-Canadian ancestry, and Anne Douglas Greenwood, born in Ireland in June, 1836. She came in the vicinity

of Perth, Ontario, where she met and married William McPherson, who had lived at home with his parents until he became twenty-one years of age. William and Anne McPherson, in addition to the daughter Margaret Louise, were the parents of: Sarah Jane, who married Charles Weaver; Euphemia, who married Tony Weaver; William Douglas, who died in youth; Samuel; Adeline, who married David Moore; and Charles.

The McPhersons moved from Canada to Kalamazoo, Michigan, when Margaret was seven years old, and for many years they resided at 535 Davis street, where Mr. McPherson died December 21, 1904, and Mrs. McPherson passed away November 2, 1908.

John Jacob Temple and his bride, the former Margaret Louise McPherson, soon after their marriage, purchased a lot costing about $300 on the corner of North Rose and West Frank streets, after filling it in with 600 loads of dirt, built a small house. The young husband was employed by the Globe Casket Co., during the day and he worked at night building his home, while she held the light for him so he could work. He also dug the well while his wife held the lantern, proving herself a helpmate indeed. In front of the house they built one of

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The McPherson family from Canada to Kalamazoo, Michigan, when Margaret was seven years old, and for many years they resided at 520 Davis street. Here Mr. McPherson died December 22, 1904, and Mrs. McPherson passed away February 1, 1908.

Upon their death the dowager, the former Margaret Louise McPherson, from their other children, purchased a lot fronting about 200 on the corner of North Rose and West Frank streets, where William is with 600 loads of dirt, built a small house. The young bachelor was employed by the Globe Casket Co., during the day and he worked at night building his home, while she held the light for him so he could work. He also dug the well while the wife held the lantern, proving herself a helpmate indeed. In front of the house they built one of

the first board walks in the neighborhood. Prior to his marriage Mr. Temple received $1.25 for a ten hour day, but following his marriage his pay was increased to fifteen cents an hour, or $1.50 per day, which was paid in gold twice each month.

Small as their new home was, the Temples opened wide its doors to the young people of the neighborhood and many dances and parties were held there, with the Temples as host and hostess.

Four years later, Mr. Temple built a much larger home at what is now 729 North Rose street and the young couple moved into the more commodious quarters. In 1916, the small house was torn down and a still larger house erected at 725 North Rose.

On May 20, 1887, their first child, Lulu, was born. She married (1) Ora W. Coe and became the mother of (a) Merrill, who married Hazel Upson and became the father of Jerry; (b) Alice, who married Hereford Blake and became the mother of Barbara; (c) Max, who married Marjorie Daniels and entered the United States Army, serving as a commercial artist in the Second World War; Mr. Coe passed away when his children were little and Mrs. Coe's second marriage was to Lloyd A. Branch; (2) the second child of Mr. Mrs. Temple was Fred Wm., born July 28, 1891, was graduated from Michigan Agricultural College, later

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known as Michigan State College, married Crystal Bradley of Georgia and became the father of Martha; (3) their third child, Margaret Anne, was born August 21, 1898, married, first, Harold Coburn, who died a short time later; second, Claire Royce Gerould and became the mother of Claire Temple Gerould.

Mrs. Temple decided to open a Home Bakery in the front of her larger house and the venture was such a success that an addition was built at the rear for the Bake Shop. Some years later she added canned goods and ice cream to her stock. Children came eagerly to her for ice cream cones, which, with her generous Irish nature, she filled "Full and running over," as the Scriptures enjoin.

The Temples were hard workers. He had one of the first bicycle repair shops in Kalamazoo and he invented the coaster brake and other gadgets for the shop and family use, some of which he had patented. Mrs. Temple, when but twelve years of age, did housework, baking and cleaning for a large family, and attending Frank Street School, often running all the way to school to avoid being tardy.

With all her work in the bakery, she never neglected her children. She cared tenderly for them and taught them self reliance.

owner as Michigan Fuel Supply, matrix [illegible] society of Georgia and became the father of Marvin; (2) their youngest child, Margaret Jane, was born August 24, 1938, married, first, Harold Sowers, was also a short time later, married, Clair Hope Garwin and became the mother of Claire Hope Garwin.

Mrs. Tanyin decided to open a dress shop in the front of her larger house and the venture was such a success that an addition was built on the rear for the dress shop. Some years later she added canned goods and ice cream to her stock. Children came eagerly to her for ice cream cones, which, with her generous hand nature, she filled "full and running over," in the Christmas spirit.

The Tanyins were hard workers. He had one of the first Sinclair repair shops in Galesburg and he invented the scratch brush and other devices for the shop and family use, some of which he had patented. Mrs. Tanyin, when her twelve years of age, did housework, sewing and cleaning for a large family, and returning from Berwyn School, often carried an ax into her school to avoid being tardy.

With all her work in the bakery, she never neglected her children. She sewed beautifully for them and taught them self reliance.

After working for thirty years at the Globe Casket Company factory, Mr. Temple's health began to fail and upon the advice of his physician he tried the climate of the South, going first to New Orleans and starting in business there. But the climate was too damp, so he went to Atlanta, Georgia, where he made metallic linings for caskets. He remained in Atlanta, enjoying occasional visits from his family and visiting them in Kalamazoo from time to time. His death occurred in Atlanta, Georgia, June 14, 1920. The funeral was conducted by the Reverend Emanuel Rushbrook, then pastor of the North Presbyterian Church, with burial in Riverside cemetery.

Mr. Temple was about five feet, two inches tall, with white hair from young manhood and he had blue eyes. He was a hard worker, finding it difficult to relax because of the early necessity for laboring long hours to bring home an adequate living for his family.

Mrs. Temple was short and stout, black-haired and blue-eyed, with a lovely smooth skin of the fresh-looking Irish type of womanhood. She possessed the wit characteristic of her countrymen

After working for little pay at the Grove Dental Infirmary, Dr. Tenpinta's health began to fail and upon the advice of his physician he retired the village of Ice Cloth, going first to New Orleans and eventually to Louisiana. But the climate was too damp, so he went to Atlanta, Georgia, where he made satisfactory inroads for patients. He remained in Atlanta, enjoying reasonable success from his family and relating some of Philadelphia from time to time. The death occurred in Atlanta, Georgia, June 14, 1920. The funeral was conducted in the Covington Baptist Church, then pastor of the North Presbyterian Church, with burial in Fairmount cemetery.

Dr. Tenpinta was about five feet, two inches tall, with white hair from years earlier and in bad blue eyes. He was a hard worker, finding it difficult to relax because of the early necessity for providing food across to bring home an adequate living for his family.

Dr. Tenpinta was short and stout, blond-haired and blue-eyed, with a lovely smooth skin of the fresh-looking Irish type of complexion. She possessed the six characteristics of her nationality

and her droll expressions kept her family amused and interested in what "mother" was going to say. She was slow to anger and liked simple pleasures, such as visiting with her many friends and riding in the automobile.

After Mr. Temple's death, Mrs. Temple continued with her bakery for some years. She later moved her living quarters to the smaller rooms over the bake shop, where she lived until her death, which occurred at her home, May 1, 1942. The funeral services were conducted by the Reverend T. Ashley Walker, assistant pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, and the body was laid to rest beside that of her husband in the family lot in Riverside cemetery.

The Temples were adherents of the North Presbyterian Church and she attended the Ladies Aid Society meetings of that church. All the principal virtues of life were theirs - honesty, which they taught their children and rigidly practiced themselves, friendliness, neighborliness, generosity. They held these high ideals for themselves and their family and expected them to measure up to them. They contributed richly to the community in which they lived and met Life's expectations and re-quirements bravely, and what more doth the Lord require?

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After Mr. Temple's death, Mrs. Tempel continued with her nursery for some years. She later moved her living quarters to the smaller house her son had built, where she lived until her death, which occurred at her home, May 1, 1942. The funeral services were conducted by the Reverend T. Walter, assistant pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, and the body was laid to rest beside that of her husband in the family lot in Riverside cemetery.

The Temples were adherents of the First Presbyterian Church and she attended the ladies Bible Sunday morning of some church. All the principal virtues of life were shown - honesty, which kept brought their children and rightly practiced them-selves, friendliness, neighborliness, generosity. They held those high ideals for themselves and their family and expected them to measure up to them. They contributed richly to the community in which they lived and her life's expectations and re-quire-ments thereby, and what more do the Lord required?

Albert Ten Busschen

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Albert Ten Busschen was born in Kalamazoo, Michigan, January 30, 1877, son of Martha Klosterman, who was also born in Kalamazoo, and Henry Ten Busschen, who was born in the Netherlands and came to Kalamazoo about 1867. Albert's brothers and sisters were: John, who resides in Kalamazoo; Henry, who resides in Kalamazoo; Wilhelmina, who married Carl Sweetland and resides in Kalamazoo; Martha, who married Frank Rose, both deceased; Mary, who married Albert Schauer and is deceased; Elizabeth, who married Gerrie Meyer and resides in Kalamazoo; and Mrs. Nellie Sanderson, who resides in Grand Haven, Michigan.

July 10, 1900, Albert Ten Busschen was married to Cornelia L. Kreling, who was born in Kalamazoo April 14, 1879, and has one brother, Henry Kreling of Kalamazoo, and two sisters, Lizzie C., who married Henry Vander Horst of Kalamazoo, and Alice M., who married Andrew Lage of Kalamazoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ten Busschen were the parents of:

Martha, who married John C. Klosterman, is the

mother of Ruth Marcia, born April 30, 1926, and Albert John, born October 14, 1931, and resides in Kalamazoo;

Christian A., who married Alice Hodge, is the father of Robert Allen, born February 14, 1929, and Mary Lou, born August 9, 1930, and resides in Kalamazoo;

Henry A., married Bessie Sigler, is the father of James Henry, born August 20, 1904, and Richard Albert, born [illegible], and resides in Kalamazoo.

Albert began to work when he was thirteen years of age. His mother died in 1894, when he was seventeen. He was first employed by the Lilly Cigar Company and learned to be a cigar maker. In 1905 he set up business for himself and started making the cigar he called New Chum. He continued in this business for about twenty years, until his increasing participation in municipal affairs crowded it out.

In 1906, Mr. Ten Busschen was elected alderman from the fourth ward and with the exception of but two years he represented the fourth ward until 1917. Those two years he held the office of city assessor.

In 1919, after Kalamazoo had adopted the city manager-commission form of government, he was elected to the city commission and served for two years. He then became affiliated with Henry L. Vander Horst in the building and contracting business until he was appointed city manager March 8, 1927. For six years

of his period of service in city offices he had been a member of the board of review.

As city manager, Mr. Ten Busschen was an enthusiastic promoter of that form of municipal government and improved every opportunity to assist other municipalities contemplating its adoption in solving their problems. He gave many interviews to committees and officials from other cities, and was active in the work of the City Managers Association of Michigan.

From the time of his appointment as city manager, Mr. Ten Busschen took a keen interest in aiding in the plans of the new city hall. His activities were largely in regard to the finances where his ability was of great benefit to the city. As city manager he had many conferences with the state administrative board, the public utilities commission, and the state highway department at Lansing, where his experience and ability gave weight to his word. His entire life was spent in Kalamazoo and his political and civic activities were bound up in his home town. Perhaps the thing in which he took the most pride was that during his administration as city manager the new city hall was completed, dedicated and occupied, in 1931, with no bond issue and no increase in taxes, largely due to Mr. Ten Busschen's careful planning

and management.

December 15, 1931, he resigned as city manager and to a large extent he dropped out of civic affairs and later failing health restricted his activities.

Death came to Mr. Ten Busschen July 9, 1939. The funeral was conducted by the Reverend John Masselink, D. D., pastor of the Third Christian Reformed Church of Kalamazoo, of which Mr. Ten Busschen had long been a very active member. Interment was in Riverside cemetery.

The following editorial appeared in the Kalamazoo Gazette July 11, 1939:

> "In the passing of Albert Ten Busschen, Kalamazoo has lost a citizen who for many years has held a place of well deserved prominence and influence in its public affairs. A native of this city, Mr. Ten Busschen started on his own business career shortly after the turn of the century and soon became keenly interested in political and municipal activities. He served as alderman and as city assessor under the old council form of government, and as city commissioner after the commission-manager plan had been adopted. This long practical experience made him well equipped to take over the duties of city manager when he was appointed to the office in 1927.
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> "As the executive directly responsible for the conduct of the city government, Mr. Ten Busschen combined a large measure of business ability with a keen enjoyment of the tasks and functions assigned him. He played his part - and it was an important part - in demonstrating the practical merits of the commissioner-manager govern-

ment system and in carrying out the sound business principles which have enabled Kalamazoo to attain a most enviable position among the municipalities of the country. His work in arranging the financial details of the new city hall project, carried out during his period in office, was of great importance in enabling this community to obtain a public improvement which it had been needing badly for many long years.

"Because of the very nature of our form of government, the office of city manager is not one which lends itself to spectacular display. It is a job for a man who understands municipal problems thoroughly and who can apply real business methods to the task of solving them. His success in meeting these difficult requirements will make Mr. Ten Busschen long remembered as a man who served his community and served it well."

The city commission adopted the following resolutions which were published in the Kalamazoo Gazette:

"In the untimely death of Albert Ten Busschen, the City of Kalamazoo has lost one of its most valued native sons who spent his entire life in this city.

High Civic Ideals

"His marked success in private enterprise and his outstanding work and accomplishments in the public service won for him a high place among his fellow citizens. He served the public well and faithfully as a member of the city council prior to the adoption of the present city charter, as alderman from the fourth ward, as city assessor, as city commissioner after the adoption of the present charter and as city manager. In all of these places of public trust he displayed high civic ideals and the interests of the public generally were at all times foremost in his heart.

"The outstanding success of the city government during the last twenty years is due in no small

part to the untiring efforts and accomplishments of Albert Ten Busschen.

Expresses Deep Sorrow

"Therefore, be it resolved, by the city commission of the City of Kalamazoo at its regular session held on the 10th day of July, 1939, that in behalf of the people of this city it express its deep sorrow upon the death of Mr. Ten Busschen and that it give recognition of the important part he took in bringing the government of the City of Kalamazoo to its present enviable state of efficiency and that it hereby pay tribute to him as a highly honorable, able, and efficient public servant and a citizen of high character and integrity.

"Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the family of Mr. Ten Busschen."

Written in 1940